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Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

Magie Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH



A fascinating foreign tin mechanical, the Magie Bank, is our choice as No. 161 in the numerical classification. This bank is somewhat similar in action to the well known American made Magician Bank, that is to say the disappearance of the coin from the table top is the same principle in each case — the mechanism and operation, however, are different. And, of course, they are completely different in appearance.

The Magie Bank shown was in the collection of the late Walter P. Chrysler. Where he obtained the bank is not known, however, it was in his collection in the early 1930's. Background on the Magie is sadly lacking, as is the case with most foreign made mechanicals, with the exception of those of English manufacture. We have been unable to determine the company or concern who made the bank or the definite period in which it was manufactured. However, we do know it was made in Germany and that it was a protected item. Like

the Snake and Frog In Pond Bank (HOBBIES, article, 1961), the wording "Made in Germany" is printed on the Magie, along with the initials "D.R.G.M.". These initials as explained in the article on the Snake And Frog In Pond mean that the bank was protected in Germany on a similar basis to a patented item in our country.

At this point it is timely to go briefly into a subject which the writer has intended to do for some time now. This has to do with patented, registered or protected mechanical banks and the differences involved when made in our country as opposed to those of foreign manufacture. In the United States, in most cases, mechanical banks were patented by individuals and usually these same individuals designed the bank they patented. Because of this we can in practically all cases of a patented bank give a complete factual background story. In England, however, most all of the mechanical banks were patented by the manufacturers or concerns who produced them. Thus, we cannot determine the designer in the majority of cases of the English banks. Now going to banks that were made in Germany, we have a real problem because of the triple meaning of "D.R.G.M." and the lack of any method of tracing through any given bank. So far the writer has been unsuccessful in any efforts in the direction of determining factual background on German made protected mechanical banks. Nevertheless, it is still helpful in a number of cases of the earlier German made banks that they were so designated and identified. This is at least better than nothing to go on and does authenticate the country of manufacture and that they were a registered or protected item, and so on.

Back to the Magie Bank, the name itself is of interest. It is German and translates into our word "magic" or the "Black Arts" or "Magi." The word "magic" is generally thought by many to have derived from the Three Wise Men (the Magi) who brought gifts to the Infant Jesus. The word "magic" is derived from "Magi" but there were many Magi, other than the three mentioned. In Ancient Persia the Magi were a priestly caste who through sorcery gained the reputation of having wonderful occult powers. The feats they performed in exorcising devils was called in Greek "magike"—and from this word we derived our "magic." So this brings us to the pictured bank which represents a sorcerer and the origin and source of the word we know today as magic.

The bank shown is a very decorative item with many bright colors. The sorcerer's tall peaked hat, for example, is striped in red, yellow, white, black, and blue. His robe is in these various colors and he has a long flowing white beard accentuated in shades of blue, green and black. The book or cover-like object held in his hands is black with the word "Magi" thereon in large white letters. The table top is red with unusual

colored figures on each side and front. A blue and yellow dragon type representation is on the right side—on the front appears a multi-colored figural representation with four arms and hands — on the left side is a blue and yellow elephant with howdah and various other ornate decorations. A green base completes this very ornamental, attractive bank.

To operate the bank a coin is placed in the circular section on top of the table. Then a lever, in back of the sorcerer, is pressed down. This causes the arms to lower bringing the book or cover down over the coin. When the lever is released the coin has disappeared as the moving parts return automatically to their original positions as shown in the picture.

The Magie Bank is a rather tough item to add to a collection and fortunate today is the collector who possesses one.

OLD METALS

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tion comprises some 1,500 ceramics of the Sung, Yuan, Ming, and Ch'ing dynasties. And the value and importance of the late K'ang Hsi enameled porcelains have been stressed, in the Percival David collection.

The usual method of decorating English porcelain was by painting, most often in fusible enamels over the glaze. Excellent examples of English enamels, on metal, porcelain and glass, are comprised in the Schreiber Collection in the Victoria and Albert Museum, London. (For further consideration of English Enamels, see HOBBIES Magazine, March through July, 1964).

—G. K.

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Since coin collecting came into its own, these talers have been sought after by collectors, primarily for their large size and ornate design.

The first, issued in 1574 by Duke Julius of Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel, was designed to accumulate hoards of silver as a fund against the dangers of war.

The output of silver in the mines in the Harz Mountains encouraged his action. He issued an order that each property owner should purchase one of these coins, the size depending upon the individual's wealth.

The coins were struck in denominations of from 1½ talers on up to a monstrous 16-taler coin. No denominations were upon them and their exact value must be determined by weight.

A taler weighs 29 grams, hence a triple taler would weigh 87 grams; 5-taler coins, 145 grams; 10-taler, 290 grams, and so on up. They were not always accurate, so a 10 per cent allowance one way or the other is permitted.

Their denominations were 1½, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 4½, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, and 16 talers.

In the event of war, the owners of these large coins were supposed to turn them over to Duke Julius in exchange for a cheap, debased currency, to help him wage his war with good silver. The term "Julius Loser" (redeemer) appears on the multiple talers of 1574.

After this first issue these large pieces were struck for Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel, Brunswick-Lüneburg, and Saxe-Lauenburg. Their designs are varied and very ornate. This is possible on such large coins.

The Wolfenbüttel pieces have on their obverse figures on horseback, standing figures, and busts. The reverse, for the most part, has city scenes and ornate crests and arms.

The Lüneburg pieces have ornate crests, and half-sized figures in armor; their reverses are well-known for their horse above a rural scene, wild men, maidens, and city scenes.

The Saxe-Lauenburg pieces carry out the conventional designs of most talers with the half figures on the obverse, legends or arms on the reverse.

The Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel pieces were coined by Julius, 1568-1589; Henry Julius, 1589-1613; Frederick Ulrich, 1613-1634; August, 1635-66; August Frederick, 1676; Rudolf August, 1666-1704.

Brunswick-Lüneburg pieces were coined by Christian, Bishop of Minden, 1599-1625; August, Bishop of Ratzeburg, 1610-1636; Frederick, Duke of Celle, 1636-1648; George, Duke of Calenberg, 1636-1641; Christian Ludwig, Duke of Calenberg, 1641-1648; George William, Duke of Calenberg, 1648-1665; John Frederick, Duke of Calenberg, 1665-1679; Ernst August, Bishop of Osnabrück, 1662-1698.

Saxe-Lauenburg talers were coined by Franz II, 1581-1619; August II, 1619-1656.

These are some of the largest coins ever struck, a 10-taler coin would measure over 3¼ inches and the 16-taler proportionately more.

Their method of distribution indicates that the larger the coin the fewer were issued, and today this is borne out by the fact that the larger ones are worth more than the smaller ones. Those of 10 and higher de-

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Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

Transvaal Money Box

By F. H. GRIFFITH

We're changing our pace somewhat this month with respect to diverting into information on a semi-mechanical bank, rather than the usual mechanical. This is the first semi-mechanical to be treated in this fashion, at least as far as the writer is directly concerned, and we have picked the best and most desirable in this category. The bank is the Transvaal Money Box, a most interesting, finely detailed bank of English manufacture. At this point it is pertinent to mention that the Transvaal just gets under the wire in being classed out of the still bank category. The movement of the pipe and the fact it swings loose in the mouth of the figure is the basis of its classification as a semi-mechanical.

While we are on this subject, it is well to explain further that years ago the semi-mechanical class of banks was more or less created for the purpose of adding prestige to certain banks that were somewhat beyond just being still banks, but did not quite come up to being a full fledged mechanical. In some cases this has created a problem here and there with respect to the category of a specific bank, however, it is not anything earth-shaking one way or the other unless we choose to make it so. For example, to take the next step, the American Bank (Sewing Machine) is unquestionably a semi-mechanical bank, and nothing else. And as long as the semi-mechanical division exists, that's where it properly belongs. The writer recognizing tradition and established precedents has never done anything with respect to rectifying this situation. Only two other banks share the same position with the American Bank, and they are the Camera and the Safety Locomotive. In any event, it has been considered best to let well enough alone until such time that pressures may be brought to bear necessitating the change to proper and accurate classification of these three banks. This now brings us back to the top semi-

mechanical, the Transvaal Money Box, which would not be the top semi if the three mentioned mechanicals were regrouped in the semi class.

The Transvaal Money Box was made by John Harper & Company, Ltd. in the period 1885 to early 1900. It is pictured in one of their old catalogs and under this picture the following statement is made: "After F. C. Gould, Esq. By permission of the Proprietors of the Westminster Gazette." Following this statement is the unusual and pertinent information that the bank was made in three different figures—"Maroon Bronzed, Venetian Bronzed (Highly finished)," and "In various Colors."

W. G. Thompson, present officer of Harper, has kindly advised the writer that the Transvaal Money Box was never produced as a full mechanical bank and never considered such by them. This is pointed out due to the fact that a few Transvaals have been converted into mechanical banks by means of an added lever inside the bank operating in such fashion that a coin dropped into the top hat slot causes the pipe to move up and down. In addition, a cigar has been devised to operate in the same way. In either case, pipe or cigar, they are replacement or converted items when motivated by a coin and not authentic. The bank, by the way, was never manufactured with a cigar in the figure's mouth.

Condensed background information on the bank is of historical interest. The figure represents Paul Kruger (actual name Stephanus Johannes Paulus Kruger), born October 10, 1825, died July 14, 1904. In the Transvaal he was known as "Oom Paul," which means Uncle Paul. The Transvaal consisted of a province in North-east Union of South Africa where Paul Kruger was born. As a youth he was strong and active and killed his first lion at the age of 14. At a later period in his life he is said to



have actually wrestled a buffalo, pinning it by the horns. Kruger as a man was large and thick set and of great vitality and strength. He spent years protecting the Transvaal from aggression and tyranny and from British encroachment specifically. He was of Dutch descent and spoke Afrikaans, a mixture of several languages. He was strongly anti-British, was President of the Transvaal from 1883 to 1900, and served during the Boer War of 1899. His representation as a bank (see photo) is an actual copy of a national cartoon figure in England, circulated in the period by the Westminster Gazette.

The bank shown is in fine complete original condition and in colors. The colored variety is the most desirable of the three finishes. Colors are as follows: He has a black-bronze hat, brown jacket, yellow vest with black buttons, blue-green trousers, and black shoes. His hair, beard, face and hands are a cream white. His lips are red. A pipe with black stem and yellow bowl completes the coloring.

The name "Transvaal Money Box" is well defined on the front of the top hat. Across the back of the figure is inscribed: "By permission of the Proprietors of the Westminster Gazette".

In closing, it is very difficult to find an example of this bank with the original pipe intact. The pictured specimen of the bank is possibly the only one known to exist in this fashion — although there may be one or two others.

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Numismatics

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By CHARLES FRENCH

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The first coins to be placed in such a collection most likely would be an English farthing or halfpenny, a French 50 centimes piece, a German 10 pfennigs, a Canadian cent, and a Mexican 10 centavos. These are easily obtainable.

When one progresses, the desire to acquire coins from the more remote parts of the world will induce a search for unusual pieces. The odd and curious coins struck in such places as Indonesia, Iraq, Zanzibar, Yemen, Annam, and many other places are a challenge to determine from whence they came and what is written upon them.

Many of these coins are written in foreign script and characters that are very difficult to translate. Dating also is done differently as many use the Mohammedan dating system rather than the Christian. Japan's coins are dated according to a ruler's era, and the date of his rule.

Denominations are unlimited. The majority use varieties of cent, i.e. centimes (French & Belgian); centesimi (Italy and affiliates); centavos (Spanish speaking countries, particularly Central and South America). England and related countries

either use the penny or cent denominations.

There are a great many that may seem to us to have very unusual names. Take, for instance, Turkey's kuruks, the Scandinavian countries' ore, South Viet Nam's xu, Siam's satang and baht, Saudi Arabia's girsh and halala, Rumania's bani, Poland's groszy, Persia, (Iran's) ryals.

India and the Indian States have their anna! Muscat and Oman, their baizas; Mongolia, the mongo; The Isle of Lundy, its puffin, and Korea has the chon.

Jordan and adjoining countries have fils; Japan has sen; Hungary, the pengos, and Greece, the lepta.

A collection such as I have suggested could be completed fairly well with around 200 coins.

Collecting coins with animals also is interesting. An Australian penny has an excellent likeness of a kangaroo. Bahama's new decimal coinage has two flamingos on the 2 dollar silver coin, and sailfish on the 50 cent piece.

Australia's decimal coinage depicts a platypus swimming on the reverse side of their 20-cents piece. A lyre bird spreads its plumes on the 10-cents coin. The kangaroo and emu hold their coat-of-arms on the half dollar.

In addition there are the frilled lizard, the feather-tail glider, and the flying opossum on other denominations. An elephant appears on the coins of the Belgian Congo; a peacock on the coins of Burma; a beaver and an elk's head on the coins of Canada, and a condor on the coins of Chile.

Ireland's halfpenny has a sow with piglets; the 1-penny has a rooster; the three pence a rabbit, the 6-pence a dog, the 1-shilling a bull, the florin a fish, and the half crown a horse.

Eagles, horses, lions, appear on many nations' coins in various poses. So do legendary animals such as the Chinese Dragon. Some of the animals have striking poses.

Israel's 1-pound coin of 1961 has a charging elephant with howdah in battle scene; France's rooster seems to be crowing at the top of his lungs; German eagles are stiff, rigid, and militant.

England's St. George, mounted on a rearing horse, attacks the dragon with his sword. Queen Elizabeth II

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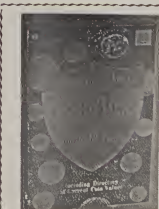
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—Mrs. D. B., California

Answer:

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—C. F., Florida

Question:

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Answer:

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—C. F., Florida

Question:

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—Mrs. R. G. F., Pennsylvania

Answer:

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—C. F., Florida

Question:

Would you please identify this coin (see rubbings). It appears to be an early bronze coin, coined sometime in the Roman era. What is its possible value?

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—C. F., Florida

Question:

Please see pencil rubbing of coin. The edge of this coin is lettered as follows: "Fifty Cents or Half A Dollar."

I have looked through all my old coin books and as yet have found no 1834 half dollar with lettered edge. The coin is in very fine shape. What is your opinion on this interesting coin?

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Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

Mechanical Bank Ramblings

By F. H. GRIFFITH

Over a period of the last few years, and particularly so with respect to recent times, the writer has been asked a rather pertinent question by numbers of mechanical bank collectors. Specifically this question has to do with the time period in which a mechanical bank is considered an old or antique item or of the modern type. At the present time the line of demarcation generally accepted is established at 1935.

In other words, mechanical banks manufactured prior to this time are looked upon as old desirable collector's items belonging in a collection of so-called antique mechanical banks. Banks made after this period are rated as the modern type. The modern type, by the way, offers quite a field to the mechanical bank collector when one considers that from 1935 to 1968 there are over 100 different mechanical banks known to have been made. Many of these are very interesting and some, even though made since 1935, are rather difficult to find today.

We will not attempt at this time to go into great detail on the modern class of mechanical banks, however, it is interesting to note that Japan has produced some rather intriguing battery operated mechanical banks such as the Hole In One, Bowling Bank, Haunted House, and so on. They have also made a line of wind-up and battery operated spooky "hand" banks—even producing one for sale abroad which represents Uncle Sam's Hat in which a hand comes out of the top of the hat and grabs the coin placed thereon.

The American made Chain line of tin banks is quite desirable today and the writer will go into detail on these in a future article. Two mechanicals, both World War II vintage, are of considerable interest at this time. The Hitler Squealing Pig and the Bomb 'N' Bank. The Bombardier model of the Bomb 'N' Bank, by the way, utilized coins as bombs. It's an all metal bomber plane with a bombsight mechanism that releases coins into an enemy gas tank (bank).

A few old mechanical banks lap over the 1935 date, however, they were originally made prior to this time. The Hubley banks come to mind as the main ones in this cate-

gory. There are the Trick Dog (Solid or One-Part Base), Elephant Howdah (Pull Tail), and the Monkey Bank. Production of the three banks was discontinued permanently during World War II in 1942.

In concluding for the present on the 1935 date, we must keep in mind that at some future not too distant time this date will be advanced. After all, mechanical banks were known to be collected in the 1920's while Stevens was still in production on certain of their mechanical banks. Of course, knowledge of the banks in those early collecting days was sadly lacking, but as interest increased into the 1930's, so did a certain degree of knowledge. Collecting then, in the main, settled on banks that were more or less known not to be in production at the time. For example, in the late 1930's the three previously mentioned Hubley banks were properly considered modern mechanical banks and had no place in a collection of old mechanical banks. Today, of course, this is not the case with these three banks.

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Of considerable interest is the fact that another heretofore unknown mechanical bank has come to light. This is the Robot Bank, a Starkie patented mechanical money box of very interesting design and appearance. Research is presently underway and detail on the bank will appear in a future article.

Along with this, we have just received an additional "find." Edwin Mosler, Jr., recently returned from Europe with a tin Clown Bank of similar appearance to the Minstrel and the Scotchman. This bank is of German manufacture, brightly colored and quite attractive. As a matter of fact, the bank was undoubtedly made by the same concern who made the Minstrel and the Scotchman as the marking of the double S in a circle appears on all three. More about this bank will appear at a future date.

Then our latest good news in the mechanical bank collecting field! The avid Aaron Schroeder has turned up what might prove to be an unusual

item. It's another tin bank, highly decorative, based on the polaroid colored photos sent to the writer. It represents a platform scale of the type that people would step on, insert a coin, and weigh themselves. In the case of the bank, however, as the writer understands it, a coin, according to size, moves the arrow on the dial to indicate what coin is deposited. On the face of the dial is the wording "Try Your Weight And Save Money." It would appear to be of German manufacture, but we will not attempt to pass along any further information until such time that the writer has examined the bank.

Mr. Schroeder has also recently acquired the Roup mechanical bank collection. The late Bill Roup was an active collector in his day and somewhat different than other collectors in that he, in the main, only wanted mechanical banks that appealed to him for one reason or the other. His collection, therefore, was not as extensive as some, however, he had certain of the rare, desirable banks. For example, he attended the Chrysler sale in 1955 and obtained the Chrysler Clown, Harlequin & Columbine; and later, through a trade, the Chrysler Mikado Bank. He had the only known example of the Presto Bank. He also had the Preacher In The Pulpit and several other fine banks among the 100 plus in his collection. Mr. Schroeder has made a forward step with the acquisition of the Roup collection.

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In closing, it bears mention that the writer has reason, where possible, to refer to certain of the very rare desirable banks as the Chrysler Harlequin, the Jones Harlequin, the Corby Preacher In The Pulpit, the Corby Turtle, the Emerine Jonah & The Whale (Jonah Emerges), and so on. In most cases great banks of this nature were originally owned by (as a collector) the men referred to, and in this fashion it not only establishes a definite identity, but also a record as to which were perfect specimens to begin with—which were repaired—which have since been repaired or had anything done to them, and the like.

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By CHARLES FRENCH

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Another writes, "When my father fought in World War I, he brought back a few foreign coins. They are so old they must be worth a lot. They are, a French 10 centime piece dated 1918, a German 10 pfennig coin dated 1917, and a small coin with a lion on it and the word *Belgique*. How much are they worth?"

Still another wrote, "I've got a large copper coin. It has a guy's head on one side, another guy sitting on a box on the other with a pitchfork in his hand. (It was an English penny.) How much can I get for it?"

One frequently hears collectors talking. One recently said, "I've had my collection for many years and it only cost me (so many) dollars, now it's worth (a fabulous amount). Having my collection has made me a mint of money, but I can't sell the collection because of the income tax, and I'm afraid to keep it in my home due to all the robberies."

I asked another collector what he had in his collection and he answered, "Oh, mostly United States and it is worth a fortune today."

I overheard another conversation. The collector spent 45 minutes "explaining" to two apparent strangers the extent of his paper money collection. He told what he had, how

safe he kept it, and what precautions he had taken to protect it against robbery.

We were in a dining-room and he spoke so loudly that people at many tables overheard what he said. According to him he had more than anyone else of everything mentioned.

And we wonder why some collectors get robbed!

All over America the theme today, in numismatics, seems to be *value*. Very little thought is given to the historic and artistic interests of numismatics.

I suppose the coin world can blame itself about this. For many decades, in its infancy, the main theme of advertising numismatics to the public was to advertise rarities of great value. The idea was to attract attention, and possibly draw new collectors to the field.

Probably one of the first such exploited coins was the famous 1804 silver dollar. It became nationally known, through this publicity, as one of the rarest items obtainable.

Even today, it makes headlines when offered for sale. And it still sells for fabulous prices even though it is now well-known to most numismatists. I believe, that none ever were coined in the year 1804. There are many other much rarer coins that never get publicity when offered.

Remember the advertising of the 1913 Liberty Head nickel, by a large dealer in the early part of this century? He made a standing offer of, "I will pay \$50 for any 1913 Liberty Head nickel."

This motto became the byword of many families in our country as they diligently searched for this never-to-be-found coin. It already was known to many numismatists that the only five in existence were owned by wealthy collectors.

Value, value, value! It is too bad that more attention cannot be turned to the beauty of design, attractiveness of size, interest in historic research, and arrangement of one's cabinet or display. These are the things that make a real numismatist, and give him the real thrill of owning a beautiful collection.

An absorbing interest in research, and increase in knowledge along uplifting lines are the rewarding values in numismatics. It is not detecting the awful counterfeits sometimes sold today, nor the robberies that have

come into the field due to the publication of values, nor the hold-ups, nor the necessity to keep coins in a safe-deposit box instead of the home for fear displaying them will lead to loss.

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I am also sending rubbings of a gold coin made into a stickpin. On the face of the coin it has a beautifully shaped face, long hair, and some kind of head-dress. At the bottom is the date 1850, the word "Eureka" at the top, and stars on both sides. On the reverse part of the coin, the center of the design is covered by the head of the pin attached to it. But you can see the words, "California Gold" written at the top, four legs of what appears to be a bear. On a base at the bottom, and on both sides of the bear, a flower with four petals and a scroll of lacy leaves. Is this a real coin, and would it have much value? It is in mint condition.

—M. J. R., Tenn.

Answer:

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Question:

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CHANGES IN OUR POCKET MONEY

By CHARLES FRENCH

Had we lived a century ago it would have been common for us to have silver dollars in our pockets; also twenty, ten, five, and two-and-one-half-dollar gold pieces, and even a few gold dollars, plus an occasional three-dollar gold piece.

The latter would have been spurned as a bad-luck piece, for it resembled the five-dollar gold piece and quite frequently was passed in error as such.

Gold dollars were small and therefore unpopular. Silver dollars were much more in demand.

Greenbacks still were looked upon with asstance, after the many shaky banknotes that had circulated prior to the Civil War were withdrawn.

Carrying one's pocket funds in hard cash, gold and silver, was rather heavy. But our ancestors preferred the feel of hard cash to the flimsy, questionable value of a piece of paper with a promise to pay upon it.

There were many who refused to transact business unless it was done for *GOLD*. No Confederate bills, no obsolete notes, not even United States Government Greenbacks would suffice.

As time went on, public confidence grew with the oft-made statement that the government never had failed to redeem its currency as stated on the notes. If they were gold coin notes, they could be redeemed with

gold coin; if silver notes, they were payable in silver dollars.

This confidence grew to the point where gold and silver dollars became a bothersome nuisance, and cash transactions were done with banknotes. No questions were asked. All were agreeable to the transaction.

The first step toward the undermining of the security of currency came with the government's withdrawal of its "promise to redeem" gold coin notes for gold coin during the emergency acts of 1933.

This was done during the national catastrophe and the revaluation of the dollar. It was an inflationary act, but it did start the country back on the long, slow climb to prosperity.

This first inflationary act has been followed by more. The present silver shortage has been so acute we are about to have the silver backing of our currency eliminated, and there are to be no more Silver Certificates.

The silver shortage has compelled the government to reduce the amount of silver in the half dollars; and to issue our "Clad" quarters and dimes, coins that contain no silver at all. Our money, today, is purely "Credit" currency based on the good will and strength of our nation.

When we again think back to a century ago and consider the coins our forefathers carried, and hark back again to today, when the largest coin we find in circulation is a quarter, as even the half-dollar has disappeared, we can realize what great changes have occurred.

The half-dollar is today's mystery coin. Only a few years ago one received plenty in circulation. Then, when the Kennedy half-dollar was issued, it seems everyone had to have one as a keepsake. Others figured these new halves would be a fine way to save money, so, it seems, every Kennedy half they received they put away.

Soon rumors began to circulate that halves were scarce, even though more than half a billion Kennedy halves have been struck since 1964. Now only a few can be found in circulation. Whether they are kept as keepsakes, as a way of saving money, or as a hoard of silver is the big question.

The law states that coin designs cannot be changed more frequently than every 25 years. The Franklin

half-dollar was first coined in 1948 and discontinued in 1963, a period of only 15 years. Special legislation was passed to enable the Kennedy halves to be made sooner, due to President Kennedy's assassination.

The facts that so few halves can be found in circulation, and that they are not used in tolls, vending machines, and other automatic equipment, have brought up the question as to whether the Mint should not discontinue issuing this denomination.

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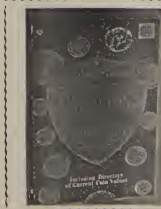
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CHESS SETS always wanted. — George Wentz, San Marcos, Tex. 78666. n12675

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PLAYING CARDS

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THE PICTURE POST CARD

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I only have two cards, and none of his officers.

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Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

The Robot Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH

Once again it is the writer's pleasure to announce the discovery of a heretofore unknown mechanical bank. The bank, The Robot, is a very interesting item of English origin and a product of Robert Eastwood Starkie, well known for two of his other money boxes — Jolly Nigger (Moves Ears) and the Tank And Cannon. Starkie and his banks are rather intriguing. We still do not know too much about Starkie himself, and his banks have a certain crudeness or primitive way about them that has a degree of appeal. They have certain character and individuality as compared to most of the other mechanical banks.

The Robot has all the Starkie touches and would be readily recognizable as one of his banks, even if his name and the patent number did

not appear on the back (Figure 2). The fact, however, that his name and the patent number do appear is of importance and add measurably to the stature of the bank. So far the exact date of the bank has not been pinned down. Research is still under way at this point and we do have some facts to pass along. If we don't come up with any further information it is not earth shaking one way or the other.

The Patent Number 26432 of necessity is prior to 1916. The Patent Office in London prior to 1916 repeatedly used the numbers of five digits each year through 1915. Since 1916 accepted specifications have been given a six figure serial number starting with 100,000. Patents granted before 1916 retained their application number and then were consequently repeated each year. It is, therefore, possible prior to 1916 to have an application number that would become abandoned or void and no patent actually ever granted.

This yearly duplication of numbers in the English Patent Office, of course, makes it considerably more difficult to check patents prior to 1916 than in our United States Patent Office. If we had a patent number shown on an American made bank, which is practically never the case, there would be very little involved in getting the patent information from our Patent Office, unless the number was incorrect or something of this nature. In any event, at this time we know the Robot was made by Starkie prior to 1916, which

would make it his earliest known mechanical money box.

The bank pictured was found in England and is in reasonably good condition. It is made of aluminum and colors are as follows: The postman wears a blue uniform and hat with black band, his carrying bag and hair are brown, his shoes are black. A short red strip is on each coat sleeve and his front buttons are red. His face and hands are pink and the letter held in his raised right hand is white. The door is red, door frame white, the section around the frame is green with red edging forming the peak outline. The base upon which the postman stands is green with red edging. The name, door knob, bell pull, and Number 10 are tan. Facial details such as eyes, eyebrows, moustache in tan complete the coloring of the bank.

To operate the bank a coin is placed in the provided slot in the letter. Then a lever located between the postman's legs is pressed down. In so doing the left arms lowers as though pulling the bell cord. At the same time the right arm moves forward and down as though depositing the letter in the door slot. The coin, of course, slides into the slot and falls into the receptacle shown in Figure 2. As shown in Figure 1, all parts automatically return to their positions upon releasing the lever.

In closing, it bears mention there may be political or satirical reference in connection with the name Robot and possibly the Number 10 in reference to Downing Street. Nothing of factual nature is known in either case as yet and subsequent research may shed some light on these possibilities. The Robot, of necessity at this time since it should be higher in the list, is No. 162 in the numerical classification.

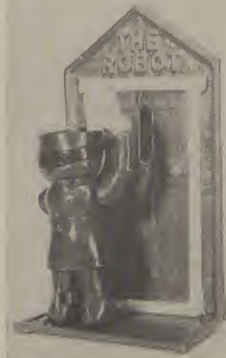


Fig 1



Fig. 2

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By CHARLES FRENCH

At the beginning of the Civil War the South decided it needed some coins of its own. The New Orleans Mint was in the hands of the South and plans were started to strike the first half dollars.

This mint had the dies of the 1861 United States half dollars which had been coined at New Orleans. A Confederate decision was made to use the obverse of those dies, the Liberty Seated design.

With the original silver planchets and a hand press, four half dollars were struck with the new Confederate reverse. This was the Confederate shield with a cap above, surrounded by two wreaths. The legend was "Confederate States of America—Half Dol."

One of these coins was presented to the Secretary of the Confederacy, Memenger. He gave it to President Jefferson Davis for his approval. There is no record of what became of this specimen.

Another was given to Professor Biddle of the University of Louisiana. A third specimen was given to Dr. E. Ames of New Orleans. And the last specimen was kept by the chief coiner, Taylor. Taylor later sold his specimen to the J. W. Scott Company.

These original half dollars, needless to say, are very rare. No more

were struck, due to the lack of silver in the Confederacy.

Some years later the J. W. Scott Company secured from the New Orleans Mint 500 1861 United States half dollars, had the reverse removed, and had them recoined with the design of the Confederate half dollar reverse.

These are known as Confederate restrikes. They are identified easily from the originals as the obverse design appears to be somewhat flattened due to the restriking. These also are rare.

There was also a Scott token struck with the Confederate reverse. This reverse has been adopted as a design for many varieties of tokens. One commemorated Robert E. Lee. Another was for the Confederacy. There were many others.

With the shortage of cents both in the North and the South, and the flood of Civil War and Merchants' tokens in the North, the Confederates asked Robert Lovett, Jr., engraver and die sinker of Philadelphia, to strike a quantity of cents.

He made the dies and struck 12 specimens in copper nickel. Then as he feared arrest by the United States government, he decided against delivering the coins to the Confederacy and hid both the dies and the 12 specimens.

The well-known numismatist, John W. Haseltine, later purchased the dies and struck a limited number of restrikes from them. Fifty-five were in copper nickel, seven in gold, and 12 in silver. All of these are very rare.

Again the Confederacy was kept from having its own coinage. It was compelled to rely on paper money. This inevitably inflated to a great degree for the duration of the Confederacy's existence.

Today we find false copies, tokens, and imitations of both Confederate coins and paper money. The "copy cents" have on them 1/100 instead of 1 Cent. A fantasy 1/10 or "dime" which never was struck for the Confederacy has appeared.

Most of the rarer Confederate bills, such as the famous Montgomery, Ala., \$1000 and \$500 notes, have imitations on the market which look real.

There are imitations in other denominations. The majority of these can be detected by the yellowish, parchment-like paper on which they are printed. Or, as in some cases, they have cheap paper with poor printing.

I even have seen an imitation Confederate note in the denomination of \$100,000! This, of course, never was issued.

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Answer:

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Question:

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Answer:

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—C. F., Florida

Question:

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Question:

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Question:

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Answer:

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The Confederate States of America pack of 1863 by M. Nelson of New York consists of engravings of various of the Confederate generals.

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The Great War of 1914-1918, during Wilson's presidency saw few issues of war cards commemorating the event. With the exception of Germany, only one pack was issued in England, Australia, and Switzerland, and two in France.

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In this pack the Kings represent the Infantry and Artillery officers; the Jacks, various combat services; and the Queens by the song-famous Mile. from Armentieres, Gay Paree, Orleans, and Andernach.

The Joker bears the regimental device of the 103rd Field Artillery, and the back shows the divisional shoulder insignia — a Y. D. in a blue triangle.

During 1914 conservative England merely issued patriotic back designs, such as the Prince of Wales Relief Fund displaying the Prince's three feathers, and another design showing a British bulldog and a French poodle tearing a German flag to shreds. In 1915 there appeared a design showing a Tommy lighting up his pipe, and a battleship. In 1916 a

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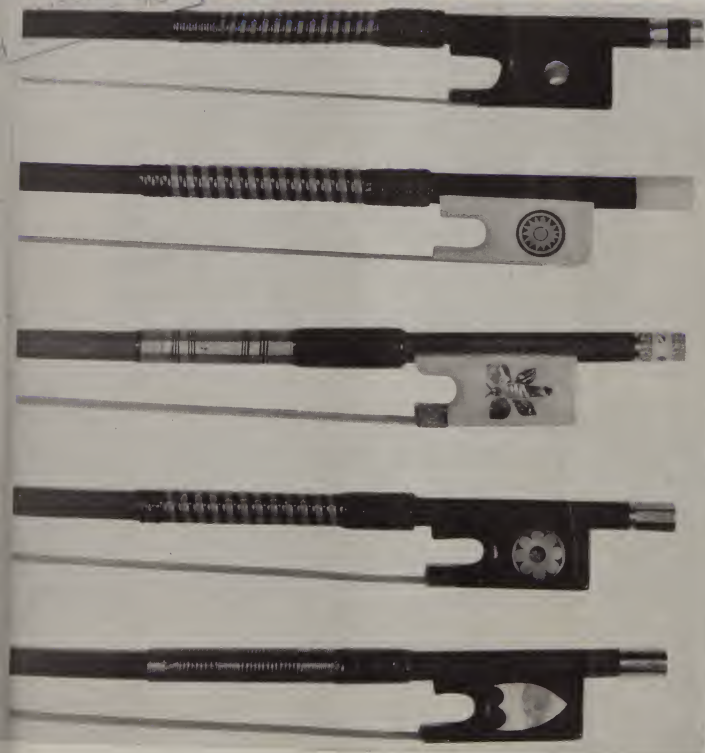
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Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

"Darky Bust"

By F. H. GRIFFITH

Mechanical banks made of tin are of considerable interest and among the tin mechanicals are some real "toughies" — very difficult to add to a collection. Take the Royal Trick Elephant, for example. After all the years since one turned up in the 1930's, this one is still the only known specimen. Then there's the Snake And Frog In Pond. Only two examples of this fine action bank are known to exist, and these were found years ago. Also very limited are the Calumet, Magie, Little Jocko and, of course, the greatest of all tin mechanicals, Ding Dong Bell. To the best of the writer's knowledge, the last Ding Dong Bell to appear on the market was in 1955 and this had remained dormant in the Chrysler collection which was in storage for some years. So this wasn't the case of another specimen turning up, but rather going from one collection to another.

Another point in favor of tin mechanicals (this has been mentioned before and bears repeating) is that there is no need for concern with regard to recasts. In other words, the

inexperienced collector need not seek professional advice with regard to the known mechanical banks made in tin. It isn't likely that those individuals involved in recasting cast iron mechanical banks will attempt to reproduce any of those made of tin. Various factors, including high costs, preclude this happening and tin mechanical banks simply don't lend themselves to being reproduced.

The foregoing brings us to another "toughie" tin mechanical, the "Darky Bust," our choice as No. 163 in the numerical classification. It is a very attractive little bank, only 3 3/4" high.

The small size of the bank is very definitely a contributing factor to its scarcity. It is not a rugged item and could not stand much abuse. The bank has excellent action but the mechanism as compared to other mechanicals is quite fragile and easily put out of order. Its chance of survival in the hands of a child wasn't very great.

There are no markings of any kind on the bank and we don't know what concern manufactured it. However, it is foreign made and most certainly German. Fortunately, we are able to date the bank since it is advertised for sale in the 1907 Butler Bros. Catalog. A picture of the bank is shown in this old catalog. The action is described and it sold at the fantastic price of 33c per dozen! As an original selling price, this is the least expensive of all the mechanical banks known to the writer.

The bank pictured was found in the Lebanon Springs area of New York State and is in unusually fine original condition. It is lithographed in bright colors as follows: The turban is yellow with a red tassel down the back, the face is brown with red lips and tongue and white eyes with black pupils. What appears to be a loop type earring in yellow with dash of red is in each ear. The large collar of the jacket is red with white edging.

The jacket is a loud checkered yellow and black with red buttons. A white shirt and yellow string tie and vest complete the coloring of this most attractive mechanical.

To operate the bank there is a coin slot in the top of the turban. A coin dropped into this slot causes the eyes to flicker and the tongue protrudes and recedes. This action, caused by the weight of the coin, is fast and the moving parts return automatically to their respective positions. As shown in the picture, the tip end of the tongue is bent down. It was manufactured in this fashion and is of necessity so that the tongue does not recede entirely into the mouth. In the base of the bank there is a key locking coin trap for removal of coins.

To date only three specimens of this bank are known to exist. The other two have no coin trap in the base and it must follow that during some period of the manufacture of the bank the error of the omission of a coin trap was discovered and corrected. It also follows that those without taps simply had to be broken or destroyed in order to remove coins. This undoubtedly is a contributing factor to its scarcity, as is the case with the Calumet Bank where no provision was made for removal of coins.

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America has the distinction of being the first continent to adopt the use of paper money as a medium of exchange to any extent. The French in Canada adopted a system of "Monnaie de Carte" or "playing-card money" to pay their troops.

American Colonies first adopted the use of paper money when Massachusetts Bay paid for a military expedition to Canada in King William's War in 1690.

Soon, all the American Colonies were compelled to use paper money due to the great shortage of coin. Barter and trade were too cumbersome a manner of conducting business. And England did all she could to keep hard specie across the sea. She constantly drained hard specie from the Colonies.

The paper money first was used to pay taxes, finance wars, and pay soldiers. Ultimately its use became general. Problems were many, for each Colony issued its own currency, and set its own exchange rates against sterling or the Spanish dollar.

Inflation appeared even at that early date. And the currency started

its long, slow depreciation which ended up with the final collapse in values of the Continental Currency issued during and after the Revolution.

When the hostilities ended an attempt was made to standardize the currency so that the confusing conditions which arose from each state having its own money, would be eliminated.

The dollar and cents adopted by the Federal government, rather than the earlier pounds, pence, or Spanish milled dollars, eliminated much of the trouble, but private banks, institutions, and states still were permitted to print and issue their own currency.

This unstable condition continued until the Civil War. During that time one would be hard pressed to determine what currency was "good" or "bad" or just "fair." Banks and institutions frequently closed their doors, and their issues became valueless.

Enterprising money changers issued bulletins that listed all currency in circulation, with the amount of discount for each series. Times of depression saw institutions close their doors in an alarming number. These "wildcat" notes ended their existence when the Civil War came.

Soon after the Civil War commenced the United States found it needed money desperately. In 1861 the Treasury department permitted the issue of Legal Tender Notes or "Greenbacks" that were purely promises to pay. Specie payments had been suspended.

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—A. A. H., Iowa

Answer:

In checking your half cent look to the reverse, if it is a stemless wreath it is a small 5-cent. If the wreath has stems it could be either the large or small 5-cent.

Now from your pencil rubbings I tend to believe it a large 5. The small 5, stems to wreath variety, seems to be uniform across the bottom of the date 1805, but the 5 is way shorter at the top. In other words the top of the 5 is way below the top of the adjoining "0".

From your pencil rubbings yours seems to be even across the top but the 5 is short at the bottom, which is more or less characteristic of the large 5.

—C. F., Florida

Question:

I was told my medal was the first made for George Washington. Ben Franklin had it made in France. The one who made it did not know what Washington looked like so he put Caesar's head on it. When they made this cent they called it Roman Head.

—E. J. E., New York

Answer:

Your medal is a well-known Washington medal, with obverse bare head of Washington to right, reverse military trophy. Inscription in French. Bronze.

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—N. E. S., Missouri

I also have a 1916-D Mercury dime in extra-fine condition subject to a slight, but short scratch to the left of the head. Would you also please advise approximate value of this coin?

Answer:

The Silver Certificate by itself, due to its condition, would be worth no more premium than is being offered for ordinary Silver Certificates today. This ranges between \$1.42 and \$1.72.

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—C. F., Florida

Question:

Please examine these rubbings and furnish me any information you can as to value.

The small coin is gold with the following inscription on one side: C: Bechtler. Ruthere: 28 G (in center).

Reverse: ONE (in center) N. Carolina Gold Dollar (No Date).

Large coin, Liberty 1804.

Reverse: United States of America HALF CENT 1/200.

—R. H. W., Jr., Tennessee

Answer:

The first coin is a Pioneer gold dollar issued by the Bechtlers in No. Carolina. There are many varieties of these and all are rare. I cannot exactly tell from your pencil rubbing which one you have, however, I can say that this coin can range in value anywhere from \$100 up to \$400.

The 1804 half cent is known as a crosslet 4 stemless wreath variety and seems to be in very nice condition. This coin at present sells for around \$10.

—C. F., Florida

Question:

I am enclosing 2 pencil rubbings. I am not very much interested in the value; just would like them identified. Possibly No. 1 is Chinese or Japanese. No. 2 could be a medal from Germany. Thank you.

—A. S., Pennsylvania

Answer:

No. 1 is not a coin but most likely a gambling token in the value of one dollar. No. 2 is some kind of German medal or token. It seems to commemorate "Albert the Bear," 1123 until 1176. It is of recent manufacture, however.

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ja124201

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WANTED at ALL TIMES: Letters and documents of famous Americans. Always interested in Presidents' letters and documents, especially Abraham Lincoln. Highest prices paid. — King V. Hostick, 901 College, Springfield, Ill. 62704

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n124601

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s6618

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fl26712

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jl568801

BOTTLE CAPS, soft drink and beer, would like to trade. — Greg Dill, 15678 23rd Ave. S.W., Seattle, Wash. 98166

jl53403

LOTTERY tickets, old American. Buy, sell, exchange. — Phillip G. Nordell, R.D. 1, Ambler, Pa.

f069

WANTED: Pictorial political items; stamper's folded letters; stamped postmarked envelopes (covers); Union, Confederate, and Western States material; autographs; pre-1870 valentines, early photographs; illustrated or ornate bill-boards and lettersheets; curios; other similar Americana. Family accumulations and odd lots acceptable. Please describe and price. — John W. Stine, 515 Elsie St., Edwardsville, Ill. 62025.

s6618

Wanted: Any historical material relating to any Western State, Hawaii, or Alaska. Books, broadsides, letters, diaries, business ledgers, early newspapers, advertisements, prints, paintings, anything else. Send for Want List. — Argonaut, 336 Kearney Street, San Francisco, Calif. aul26543

WANTED: Typewriters, pencil sharpeners, check writers before 1915. — C. Leverton, 6070 Wiehe Ave., Riverside, Calif. 92506

n6215

See Our Display Ad for stamps, old letters wanted on page 99. — Herman Herst, Jr., Shrub Oak, N.Y. tfx

WANTED: Theatre programs, letters, and memorabilia of dear Jimmy Lind. — Porter Ware, Seaside, Tenn. tfx

WANTED: Golf rarities of all types.—Golf Service, 42-05 Layton St., Elmhurst, N.Y. o12698

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je3002

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je6046

TOP CASH PAID for letters and documents of famous people. Also want interesting old diaries, letters about Indians, pioneers, whaling, etc. Immediate decision; immediate payment! Ask today for free brochure. "How to Sell Your Autographs." Catalogs issued. — Charles H. Hamilton, 25 E. 53rd St., New York, N.Y. 10022

d120023

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n120812

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my3084

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aul24684

PRESIDENTIAL campaign buttons, ribbons, and tokens purchased, one item or a whole collection. — Edwin Pyle, 181 Linden Rd., Birmingham, Mich. aul20521

WANTED: Small Kate Greenway almanac. — Momjian, 2220 Willowbrook Drive, Huntington Valley, Pa. 19006

jl56614

CHESS SETS always wanted.—George Wentz, San Marcos, Tex. 75666.

n12675

WHALING ITEMS WANTED: Logs, journals, ships papers, implements, nautical antiques and curios, books, ship models.—Wede's Marine Antiques, R.F.D. 3, Box 344-H, Saugerties, N.Y. jl53844

NEW YORK World's Fair 1939-40 memorabilia. — Orth 1436 Kilmaree, Los Angeles, Calif. 90065

s6614

BEER TRAYS: Old tin beer trays with advertising. Must be in excellent condition. Prefer full color with name of beer. Any shape. Please describe or I will pay 25c for Polaroid. — Bill Bartley, 941 10th St., #7, Santa Monica, Calif. 90403

s6046

WANTED: Small child's mug with Franklin's mugs or other proverbial. — Momjian, 2220 Willowbrook Drive, Huntington Valley, Pa. 19006

jl56675

ELECTRIC FANS prior 1915. Give diameter blades, plate reading if oscillating, price or no answer.—D. C. Adair, 80 East Roanoke Ave., Phoenix, Ariz. 85004

aul26351

WALL STREET — New York Stock Exchange: Old books, prints, medallion tokens, figurines, souvenirs, ticker tape machines, etc. Anything pertaining to. — Stan Falk, 104 North 3rd, Olympia, Wash. 98501

aul22971

RAILROAD timetables, old, also want old official guides, annual pass collections. — Applegate, 4040 Mary St., Omaha, Nebr. 68112

n6675

Old Doorbell Nameplates, door knockers, notary seals, engraved desk seals.—Seton, Box 1331, New Haven, Conn. 06505

je3004

STEREOSCOPIC views wanted: — Moore, 152 Walnut, Woodlake, Ill.

mh12215

WANTED: to trade or buy old radio serials. — Stan Falk, 3350 Octavia St., Apt 6, San Francisco, Calif. 94123

je3213

RAILROAD TIMETABLES, old. Good prices paid for railroad, trolley & steamboat time tables. Also train booklets, brochures, passes, switch keys, and miscellaneous. — Fred Aron, 377 Ashford, Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. 10522

jl52112

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SPORTS CARDS wanted: Baseball, football, other sports cards and inserts issued with tobacco, candy, gum, other products and services. 1800-1953 with interesting captions. Note my ad under Books wanted. — G. G. Goldfarb, P.O. Box 4857-H, Briggs Station, Los Angeles, Calif. 90048.

n138561

CIGARETTE tobacco, candy, gum, insert cards issued before 1940. Want in any quantity, baseball and non sports. American issues only. — Charles Bray, East Bangor, Pa. 18013

je3514

Wanted: Stevensgraphs, silk woven pictures, Stevens book markers. — Stanford Saper, 338 W. 63rd Street, Kansas City, Mo. o6618

Collectors, 25 all different, illustrated, poem post cards \$1. — Newt Publications, White Cloud, Michigan. 49349

ae0027

PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN ITEMS from buttons to torch lights. — Chick Harris, 6223 Marshall, St. Louis 8, Mo. aul3652

WANTED: Beaded and feathered pictures or arrangements. Send snaps, prices. — Mauvis Mills, 1330A E. Chapman Ave., Fullerton, Calif. 92631

je323

WANTED: Presidential material such as inaugural invitations, White House invitations and passes, presidential memorial items, etc.—Momjian, 2220 Willowbrook Drive, Huntington Valley, Pa. 19006

jl56587

WANTED: Quantities of colored adv. cards in scrapbooks or loose, such as given away by Singer, Warners, Babbitt, etc. in 1930s. Send for list with low price. — Sharlow, 753 56th St., Miami Beach, Fla. 33141

au3066

NAZI art objects, silver, porcelain, daggers, anything Nazi wanted. Cash paid. Price please. — Enterprise, Box 3035, Milwaukee, Wis. 53223

mh122511

STEREOSCOPIC views wanted. — Moore, 152 Walnut, Woodlake, Ill. fl2125

BUYING baseball & football items. — John E. In, 3748 North Darnen, Chicago, Ill. 60618

jl5614

OLD CLOTHING worn before 1930: ladies, mens, childrens. Write me about anything you have in this line. — Ballard's Costume, 3725 N. Drexel, Indianapolis, Ind. 46218

au1433

GUN CANES and unusual canes wanted. — F. Monck, 950H E. Westminster, Lake Forest, Ill. 60045. mh12069

WANTED: Early American and foreign playing cards, unusual. Describe and price. — E. M. Salmons, 5701 Sheridan Rd., Chicago, Ill. 60626. je8086

WANTED: Pamphlets and other items pertaining to John Wilkes Booth, Lincoln and the Assassination. — Mondrian, 2220 Willowbrook Drive, Huntingdon Valley, Pa. 19006. jly6407

SWORDCANES wanted by collector. — Gordon Haworth, Timberline, North Reading, Mass. je3861

WANTED: Will buy early annual railroad passes. Also old logging magazines, registers and photographs. — M. Koch, 41 Old Army Road, Scarsdale, N.Y. 10583. n6367

WANTED: One or two lithophone panels 32½" x 32½". Curved. K. Ehrhart, 501 Hilo Dr., Vista, Calif. 92083. jyl081

ALL POLITICAL pins, coins, antique pistols, rifles and swords. Also military medals. — Norm Caron, 193 Turnpike Rd., Wellesley Hills, Mass. o12221

Wanted: Christmas tree light reflectors. Star shaped, metal approximately 2½" diameter. — Maxine Crowley, 352 Murray, Owatonna, Minn. 55060. jcl216

WANTED: American glass cup plates. Give Lee & Rose numbers, condition, price. Also Sandwich glass, colored and miniatures. Private collector. — Mrs. L. Powell, 8 Lakeside Trail, Stuart, Fla. 33494. jcl032

WANTED at all times: Old atlases pre-1880, old maps of Texas and Mexico, color plate books pre-1880, illustrated material on whales and whaling pre-1880. — Lawrence Lane, 1181 Dakota Rd., North Brunswick, N.J. 08902. je8109

WANTED: Old printer's type and accessories. — Kowal, 6615 So. Bell Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60636. je6514

Collector desires to purchase pin-back buttons that advertise guns, unpowder, or ammunition. — Billy Ammon, 2511 Broom St., Wilmington, Dela. 19802. au6069

Prompt cash for junk watches. — Falcon Metals, 513 Windburn, Schertz, Texas. 78154. au3003

CAST IRON machinery seats. Write, describe, price. — Clarence Brodd, Clarinda, Iowa. 51632. n5905

WANTED: Pinback buttons picturing comics, flags, famous persons, political or advertisements. Misc. lots, accumulations & junkbox assortments. Send inquiries to postbox refunded. Top offer. — F. Borchert, 1991 Solano, Berkeley, Calif. 94707. n6069

Comic books, Sunday colored comics, song magazines, record catalogs, movie posters. All pre-1955. List, price to: Mitchell, 1514 Mathers, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. jee6601

COMIC BOOKS, Sunday Comics and original comic art wanted. — J. Goggin, 82102 Greeley Blvd., Springfield, Virginia. 22150. au5445

OLD TYPEWRITERS WANTED prior to 1920. Also catalogs, literature. — Norcoras, 1 Lippman, 176 West 13th St., New York, N.Y. j122511

WANTED: American Flyer, Ives, Lionel wide gauge trains, trolleys, accessories, catalogs, Meccano. — Aiden Miller, 3212 34th Ave. So., Minneapolis, Minn. 55406. j120512

ALWAYS WANTED: Anything musical. Sound volumes of sheet music. Instrument catalogs and publications. Any part of any outside horn type phonograph. — Loyd Davis, 7656 High Drive, Prairie Village, Kans. 66208. je3084

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WANTED, old or new: anything that's a cat or has a cat on it. — Salrus Furr Palace, R. 1, Elkhorn, Wis. 53121 au3253

MODEL AIRPLANE pre-1935 catalogs, books, magazines, plans wanted. — Roodbroeck, 19 Whittridge, Summit, N. J. 07901. au6215

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MART — FOR SALE

FIRST Womens Rights Convention, 1848, reported in two issues, Seneca County Courier. Reproduced at \$1 per set postpaid. Also contains Canal items. — Seneca Falls Historical Society, Seneca Falls, N.Y. 13145. n5284

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NETSUKES (antique). All types. — Harrington, 4 Highlawn Ave., Lawrence, Mass. jyl3061

OLD HATPINS, buttons, stained glass window ornaments and similar items from 1890-1910 era. Old leaded & stained glass windows. Stained glass hobby materials and tools for repairing lamps and windows. Free list. — Whittemore-Durkin, Box 2065, Hanover, Mass. 02331. o60821

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PLAYING CARDS

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hand and some kind of an equinoctial circle in her right hand. A variety of articles and the numerals 2, 6, 7, and 4 are scattered over the card.

The 8 of Fishes shows two naked children, one holding an hour glass and the other a target with four darts. A large cock carries a cross and rosary in its claw. On this card there are the 8 Fishes, a flaming pot and more than 30 letters and numerals. On the 2 of Acorns a woman with 5 large feathers in her head-dress and a shield on her right shoulder is seated on a horse carrying a long spear. Three dogs are shown tied together at the bottom of the card.

The 4 of Crayfish shows a woman carrying a lantern in each hand, an elaborate clock at her feet, and the 4 Crayfish above, with the figures 1, 3, 4a, and 4b scattered about. The 3 of Scorpions shows a hooved man with flowing tail carrying a sword in his right hand, and a wheel in his left, a pestle and mortar (?) at lower left and the 3 black Scorpions above. The 3 of Fish is interesting with a robbed man holding an hour glass in his left hand, while his right hand appears to be using a large compass; branches of grapes are at lower left and the 3 suit signs are at the top of the card.

All of the symbolical cards bear letters and numerals on them, sometimes in combination, and sometimes not. However, each individual woodcut is a study of its own, and probably the intricate meaning of each was known only to Dr. Murner in his teaching of Logic by means of playing cards, and to his students who gained so much knowledge in the Art of Reasoning from their use.

There were three editions of these symbolical cards known as "Logica Memorativa." The first edition of this rare and fascinating book was published in Cracow in 1507; the second, as Strasburg in 1509, and the third edition, at Brussels in the same year.

With the kind permission of the Royal Library at The Hague, publishers in Amsterdam came out last year (late 1967) with a beautiful facsimile of Thomas Murner's early work.

The present edition, limited to 500 copies, is beautifully bound in full imitation morocco, with gilt vignet and lettering, quarto in size with 168 pages and 53 woodcuts of these curiously fascinating playing cards. If you wish to add this lovely edition to your library, write to the Editor of this column for further particulars.



MART — FOR SALE

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NEWSPAPER clippings 1906-1937. Stories, pictures, cartoons, comics, ads, also complete newspapers 1764-1937. — Wm. Sanders, 35 Patapsco Rd., Linthicum, Md. 21090 mhl12112

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PORTABLE water fountains for decorating, self-contained with pumps, illumination three-tiered sprays. In antiquity, French, English, oriental styles by Vincent Neptune. Fountain Center, 8574 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90069 jey3084

SWORDCANE, long blade, nice handle, completely disguised, fine original condition, \$15 postpaid. — C. Stein, Crestview Dr., R. 27, Springfield, Pa. 17064 jey6046

FOUR COLORED Remington prints, 8 1/2 x 11": "The Dead Men," "Indian Simulating Buffalo," "The Warrior's Last Ride," "With the Eye of the Mind," \$24.50 each, \$95 lot. Match book covers. 1980-1940s, \$3 per hundred. All postpaid. Stamp please. — Oland's Antiques, Route 1, Frederick, Md. 21701 jey1363

RARE ORIGINAL U. S. newspapers, 1800-1830 \$2 each; 3 for \$5.75. Civil War newspapers \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.50. — Harry Knapp, 2939 Helen Ave., Orlando, Fla. 32804 au3364

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RARE original U.S. newspapers 1800-1830 \$2 each, 3 for \$5.75. Civil War newspapers \$1.25 each, 3 for \$3.50. — Harry Knapp, 2939 Helen Ave., Orlando, Fla. 32804 jey464

Antiques for men: gadgets, toys, tools, curios, instruments, Marine, science, profession, craft. — Sydney Strange, 855 Second Ave., New York City 10017. jly3084

PRINTING

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AUTOGRAPHS

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Treatment of Vellum

Our recommendations for the restoration of vellum documents included specific technical suggestions of steps to take—and steps not to take.

For example, we felt that no effort should be made chemically to restore ink that was faded or partially washed away. Manuscripts in this condition can be read with ultraviolet light or photographed with special filters or film for reading when required.

We also recommended that unusual problems not covered by our recommendations be set aside for later professional treatment.

Dr. Hobbs and I gave them a detailed drawing for building a sink for cleansing paper items in running tepid water and for sizing.

We recommended that the paper then should be dried in ovens similar to those used in the Biblioteca restoration laboratory. (These ovens were built in Italy and should be easy to duplicate.) The dried leaves and signatures then should be protected and preserved until repairs and binding can be done under non-emergency conditions.

It was agreed that the sizing of paper would have to be considered, but the kind of sizing should be settled later, following the research being done for the Biblioteca.

Many of the books and manuscripts on paper had been made originally to last for centuries. The materials were of such fine quality that restoration had not been necessary through the centuries preceding the disastrous flood of 1966.

Now, of course, they are damaged, but their previously good condition will make restoration much easier. They are basically strong, with a few prior restorations to complicate the present work.

We suggested to the Archivio that badly damaged or weak paper should be supported by some supplemental material. Lamination with tissue or silk chiffon might be desirable when aesthetic considerations would preclude the use of plastic.

At the end of the lamination discussion, we pointed out the pitfalls of using incorrect plastic and machinery for this purpose.

Our meeting concluded with a brief discussion of the necessity of using correct materials in binding operations. The binding discussion was cut short because most of those in attendance were under time-table pressure to return to their home cities.

On our way to the railroad station, Dr. Hobbs and I agreed that our meeting had been most productive even without the more elaborate binding discussion we had anticipated. We parted with a feeling that we had spent our 10 days in Florence profitably.

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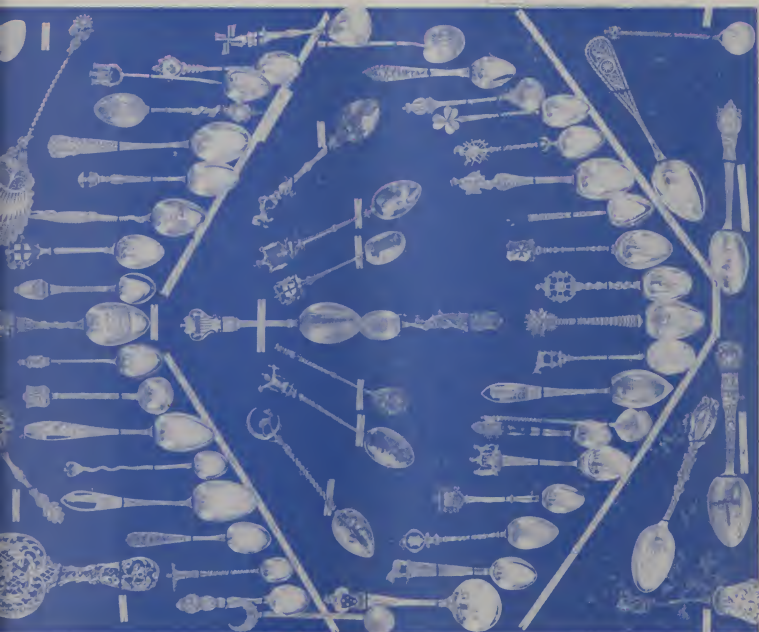
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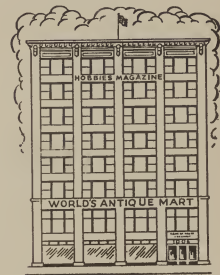
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Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

Mechanical Bank Ramblings

By F. H. GRIFFITH

We'll start our "Ramblings" this time with something that's always a pleasure to write about, and that's the detailed news of a new "find" in a mechanical bank. Reference was made to the bank in Mechanical Bank Ramblings for March, 1968, but no picture, which we now have, was available at the time. The bank is Jolly Joe and the fortunate collector to discover it was Edwin Mosler, Jr. This he accomplished on a recent trip to Europe and the attractive bank

(clowns are a favorite subject matter with many collectors, including the writer) turned up in Paris.

Jolly Joe shows all evidence of being made by the same German concern that manufactured the Minstrel and the Scotchman. All three banks are constructed of tin in the same fashion with the same mechanical action—depressing the lever causing the tongue to protrude to receive the coin. As yet it has not been determined just who made these three banks. We only know they were made in Germany.

Note in the picture the Jolly Joe has long thin arms with gloved hands. The right hand glove of the clown has "Made in Germany" in circular lettering thereon. This lettering is around a double entwined large S, which marking may be helpful at some future date in ascertaining the manufacturer. The left glove of the clown has DRGM thereon, which was the German equivalent to our patent.

The Jolly Joe pictured is in bright lithographed colors, fine original condition, and will be classified and further detailed at a future date. Mr. Mosler is to be congratulated on his acquisition of this attractive new find in a mechanical bank.

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Mr. Mosler has recently accomplished another coup in the mechanical bank collecting field in acquiring a fine original Presto Savings Bank (HOBBIES, March, 1960). This is not the case of a bank going from one collection to another, but is in fact the third specimen of this bank to turn up—two only were known to exist prior to the one now in the Mosler collection. The veteran collector, John D. Meyer, was fortunate in being the first to acquire one of these rare banks in the late 1930's. Then the second turned up in the early 1960's. And now the third in 1968. So this rare desirable bank has maintained a high level of rarity over the years and this is most likely to remain the case due to the bank itself. It is a rather early item as mechanical banks go and being constructed in the main of wood and paper with the cloth covered mouse, it was not a particularly durable bank and would not stand any degree of rough usage.

Further news in the area of recent rare finds is the Red Riding Hood Bank, No. 22 in the numerical classification (HOBBIES, July, 1958). An extra nice, completely original example of this very desirable bank turned up recently. This too is an addition to the known existing examples of this rare bank, and it did not come from one of the established or larger collections.

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Now to "type" mechanical banks and some additions to the special article concerning them which appeared in HOBBIES, April, 1968. First, to keep this new "type" situation clarified for now and in the future, there are four banks that have always been listed separately as completely different banks that should be changed. These are two of the Organ Banks and two of the Owl Banks. They will be properly identified now as follows: Organ Bank, Type I (Cat And Dog), Organ Bank, Type II (Boy And Girl); Owl, Type I (Slot In Book), Owl, Type II (Slot In Head).

The Pelican Banks, since the figures that appear are completely different, will now, rather than a variety, be as follows: Pelican Bank, Type I (Man Thumbing Nose), Pelican Bank, Type II (Mammy). For years there has been said to exist a Pelican Bank with a Rabbit, and if any reader has seen or knows about this bank the writer would appreciate the individual getting in touch with him. Write c/o HOBBIES or to his address as shown in various ads.

Finally, for present additions to the "type" banks, the Calumet Bank (HOBBIES, November, 1966) has

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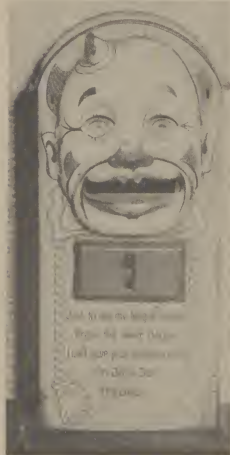
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A Commemorative Medal for Dr. King

By CHARLES FRENCH

Legislation already has been introduced advocating that a gold medal be struck by the mint honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. If this is approved there also will be struck a series of bronze medals in duplicate which will be available at the mint to collectors.

The Chase Commemorative Society also has announced that the Negro leader and president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference will be honored by their issuing a silver and bronze medal in his honor. This medal will be 1½" in diameter, struck by Medallic Art Company of New York. After distributing the 30,000 silver proofs to their members and notables, the balance will be offered for sale to the public.

The collecting of medals is probably the oldest form of numismatics. At one time it was the most important part of numismatics. Prior to the 20th century, the position of medal collecting in importance was as high, if not higher, than coin collecting.

This did not change until the thought of profit, due to rising values and speculation, caused an increase in the collecting of coins over medals.

There is no doubt that medals allow a much wider variance in design as

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There are literally thousands, struck in all parts of the world. In America, the mint has been issuing medals ever since it started operating. Their Presidential series, for instance, is one of the most beautiful obtainable.

Hundreds of varieties and types of medals have been struck for fairs and conventions. All are of great historic significance as they show events, buildings, and items of interest of the time. There are many societies that

issue medals in series to collectors. Outstanding among these is the Society of Medalists which has issued beautiful medals each year since 1930 to its members. Their medals are 2½" in diameter and struck in bronze in all years but during World War II when they were struck in silver. The Franklin Mint, a comparatively new entrant into the field, has announced recently a new series of medals struck in silver and platinum.

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Question:

I am enclosing rubbings of a medal which I have acquired recently and wonder if you could give me any information about it. It apparently is of German origin and religious.

I am enclosing 25c in stamps and also a stamped return envelope.

—D. K., Massachusetts

Answer:

What you have is an old German coin either a double or triple thaler known as a "Marriage Thaler." This dates back to the 16th or 17th century. On one side you see a holy gathering with Jesus, the legend says, "Jesus Christ makes water into wine." On the other you see the bride and groom and the legend, "What God has joined, let no man put asunder." This coin is valued at \$20 and \$75 if it is silver.

—C. F., Florida

Question:

I have a small coin marked on one side "California" and it shows a man with a shovel and/or a basket or pail at his side. He is kneeling and apparently looking at a piece of rock or perhaps gold in his hand. The date is too worn to read. But on the reverse is a girl's head (probably Lib-

erty) and 13 stars and the date 1849. I do not know the metal. It is sort of yellowish.

It is, unfortunately, mutilated and has a hole in it. Is this of any value? It was found in a little envelope which is marked "California gambling token." —M. B., New Jersey

Answer:

This is a brass token commemorating the California gold rush days. Of little value in perfect condition, with a hole in it, no value. —C. F., Florida

Question:

Can you please give me information regarding my medals? What are they? What are they given for? And if any value, how much? (drawings enclosed). —G. M., California

Answer:

While I have not examined your tokens I would presume that they are brass, not gold. The first seems to be some kind of a gambling token. The second should be tested at your local jeweler to determine if brass or gold. It apparently is a medal given for some competition during the Panama Pacific Exposition in 1915. The third seems to be a silver medal for service in the Civil War. Values of all of these would be determined by the metal they are made of.

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—C. F., Florida

Question:

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INDIAN RELICS

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water travel. The Columbia River
was as full of canoe traffic as is a
major city thoroughfare today. Fleets
of these types of canoes were drawn
up on beaches and on river banks
off every one of the many plank-
house villages typical of the North-
west Coast.

A practice of using the big canoes
like trucks to carry game killed by
hunters and then to cut up the
game on gravel bars in front of the
villages created veritable deposits of
arrow-heads discarded with unused
flesh and bones. This fact was highly
beneficial to local arrow-point hun-
ters until recent years.

The rugged mountain wilderness
along the Oregon Coast and at the
Southern end of the Willamet Valley
created somewhat of a culture bar-
rier, and the southern canoes showed
its effect.

They were not used on ocean water
at all, but were designed especially
for river and lagoon use; broad, low
and not easily tipped over; and
rounded all over their bottoms so as
to override stones and logs in river
beds.

These canoes had several local pecu-
liarities. A stern seat commonly
was carved out, sometimes with pro-
truding foot rests in front of it.
There was usually a lip to strengthen
the edges. A sort of yoke was added
to the bow. A rope lashing further
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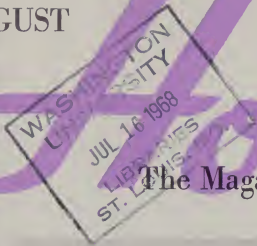
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Mr. Hegarty was born December 2, 1902 in Coalport, Pa., and lived there throughout his entire life. Both he and Mrs. Hegarty had a deep interest in antiques in general and formulated a fine collection of colored glassware with varieties of other antique furnishings for their home.

During the 1940's Mr. Hegarty became interested in mechanical banks and this subsequently became his main collecting hobby. His interest accelerated rapidly, was shared by his wife, and together they formulated one of the outstanding collections of mechanical banks.

Among Mr. Hegarty's accomplishments in the field of collecting mechanical banks was the acquisition in 1955 of the well known and extensive Corby collection. Many fine banks were added to his collection by this acquisition. In addition he acquired the outstanding collection of blown glass banks. This group of glass banks was a favorite to exist. Mr. Hegarty also, since he acquired all the Corby banks, had many still banks in cast iron, tin, pottery, paper, and so on, and also a rather sizeable group of "safe" type banks.

It was the mechanical banks in the Corby collection, however, that was the important phase in increasing the stature of Mr. Hegarty's collection. He was a deeply dedicated collector. He and while the Corby banks certainly helped Mr. Hegarty spend endless hours, days, weeks, and time seeking out individual mechanicals he did not have.

Along with mechanical banks, Mr. Hegarty's interest in cast iron toys grew by leaps and bounds and here again he and his wife grouped together an outstanding collection of fine toys. These included horse drawn items such as fire equipment, carriages and pleasure vehicles, work toys, comics, circus wagons, streetcars, and other types. Also bell ringing toys, toy automobiles, and trains. In addition Mr. Hegarty also had an outstanding collection of toy pistols, including most of the rare animated type.

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Mr. Hegarty, with his wide intense interest in the cast iron toy field, in particular mechanical banks, will be an irreplaceable cog in the wheel of collectors. In deference to the monthly articles, it is fitting to acknowledge a dedicated collector, his truly great collection, and convey our sympathies to Mrs. Hegarty and the family.

HISTORICAL RECORDS

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has been able to offer a satisfactory solution to this riddle.

Recently, while looking through my bins, I found the six mysterious records and my curiosity got the better of me again. This time I decided to ask my kind readers to help come up with an answer, should there be one.

Only please do not send in speculations as to who the singers might be. Believe me, I've thought of everyone I possibly could remember. And I also have vague ideas as to whose names might belong on those labels.

Only positive identification is needed. So may I ask anyone who has these records to check the matrix numbers? And if Rex catalogs are available, those, of course, would solve instantly the mystery of the six unidentified voices.

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From the time of the Roman Empire, and through the Dark Ages, the predominant size of silver coins was copied after the ancient Roman denarius, which was about the size of our present day dime. Times were pretty lean and silver pieces were consequently few and far between.

In the year 1516 a rich silver mine was discovered in Joachim's dale, a mining district in Bohemia. The Count of Schlitz, by whom it was appropriated, struck a great number of large silver coins. The first had the date, 1518, and the effigy of St. Joachim upon it. These were to be of the same value in silver as the many gold gulden then in use in trade.

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mately one ounce in weight and around the size of our silver dollar.

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The French issued coins of similar size "ecus," the English their "crowns," and the Spanish their "pieces of eight" (8-reals). The names of such coins in other countries were changed to "daler," "dalar," "daalder," "tallero."

In the Western Hemisphere the Spanish "pieces of eight" circulated widely during Colonial days. The British kept as much English specie as possible from the American Colonies, and thus created serious shortages here.

The British also prohibited the coinage of coins. It is therefore not surprising that the Spanish 8-real coins soon became the principal medium to circulate, and soon became known as the "Spanish milled dollar."

It is said that the dollar George Washington threw across the Rappahannock River was one of these, and indeed it must have been, for

our young country did not coin any silver dollars until 1794.

We sometimes wonder why we did not adopt the English denominations when we first started coining. Pounds, shillings, and pence were used in all transactions with England, the parent country, during the Colonial days.

We find that early Colonial paper money was issued in English denominations, but during and after the Revolution we find the gradual change to dollars and cents. Some of the earlier notes even were redeemable in "Spanish milled dollars."

No doubt antagonism over the war with England, and the use of the Spanish coins, influenced our country to adopt the dollar and cents denominations.

Our silver dollar has had a stormy path. From 1794 through 1803 dollars were coined in varying quantities. From 1803 through 1840 we have a gap of 37 years when none were coined for circulation.

It seems the amount of silver contained in the early dollars was too great. In 1837 Congress passed a law providing that $3\frac{1}{2}$ grains of the alloy be abstracted from the authorized weight of the dollar, which, at that time, weighed 416 grains. This made the new dollar's weight 412 $\frac{1}{2}$ grains.

The only dollars struck between 1803 and 1840 were the 1804's of questionable authenticity, and the rare pattern or experimental pieces of 1836, 1838, and 1839. These were forerunners of the regular issue, 1840 Liberty Seated dollars.

Standard silver dollars again were suspended with the issue of Trade dollars in 1873, designed to capture trade in the Orient. As these were not successful they were terminated in 1878, and standard silver dollars again were coined from then on until 1904.

The few Trade dollars that were issued between 1879 and 1885 were struck for collectors only. In 1904 they were discontinued due to the lack of bullion.

The Peace dollar first made its appearance in 1921, 17 years later. It was coined continuously from then until 1935, the last year silver dollars were struck.

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Answer:

The first coin shown in pencil rubbing is a 4 heller of the Free city of Aachen Germany, 1767 (your No. 2), value about 25 cents. The other is a ¼ Stuber coin of Clemens August V Bayern, Archbishop of Cologne 1723-1761, value about 50 cents.

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—C. J., Massachusetts

Answer:

I never have seen a piece like the pencil rubbing you have sent me. There is no regular issue coin of its kind known and issued. It possibly might be a pattern or trial piece but I do not think it is.

As to the metal it is made of, I would suggest that you take it to a local jeweler and have it tested. If it is gold it could be a medal of some sort, but if brass it would be some kind of token and of little value.

I hope this information is of some help to you. —C. F., Florida

Question:

Will you please let me know the value of these coins. See pencil rubbing. They are all in excellent condition.

I also have a little medal, see drawing, in silver. It has the Lord's Prayer on one side, and on the other it says, "Struck in the main building of the International exhibition on the first steam coining press used by the U.S. mint." It has no date and I assume it was 1776.

—Mrs. L. S., California

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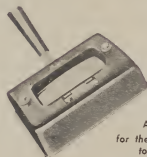
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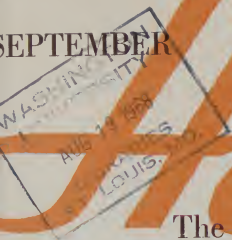
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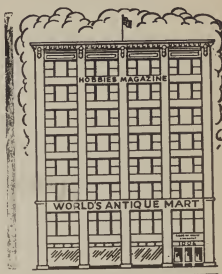
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The Gem is quite unusual in appearance, particularly as to configuration, and like most Bailey designed banks very attractive with ornate delineation of vines, flowers, leaves, and so on covering the bank in general. It would be rather difficult to describe the shape or form of the bank and Figures 1 and 2 will illustrate this point. The outline of the bank is unique and the writer feels Bailey had something definitive in mind—

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The first to appear on the rare \$1,000 Montgomery, Ala., note was Thomas Jonathan (Stonewall) Jackson. Born in Clarksburg, Va., January 21, 1824, and appointed as cadet to West Point in 1842, he served in the Mexican war. He also accompanied the cadets to Charleston, Va., when they were called to preserve the peace at the execution of John Brown, in 1859.

He was appointed commander of the 1st Virginia Brigade in 1861, and was mortally wounded by his own

men at the Battle of Chancellorsville. He died May 10, 1863.

Jefferson Davis, whose picture appears on many notes, was born in Christian County, Ky., June 3, 1808. He attended Transylvania college of Kentucky and at 16 was appointed to West Point.

He entered the U.S. Army as a second lieutenant and served on the Northwest Frontier but resigned from the Army in 1835, and married the daughter of Zachary Taylor.

Jefferson Davis served in the house of representatives from 1843-1846, but resigned to take part in the Mexican war. He was senator from Mississippi in 1847-1851, served as secretary of war in 1853 under Franklin Pierce, and then was re-elected to the senate.

He became one of the most loyal defenders of the South and was inaugurated as provincial President of the Confederacy February 18, 1861.

After Lee's surrender, Davis was taken prisoner and held in Fortress Monroe where a Virginia grand jury indicted him for treason. He was then kept in prison for two years, but released on bail in 1867. He died December 6, 1889.

Alexander Hamilton Stevens was born at Crawfordsville, Ga., February 11, 1812. He graduated from Franklin college (now the University

of Georgia) in 1832, and became a member of the state legislature in 1836. He served as representative from Georgia to the U.S. Congress from 1839-1859.

A member of the Confederate Provisional Congress at Montgomery, in 1861, he became vice president of the Confederacy. Arrested at his home in Crawfordsville, May 11, 1865, he was imprisoned at Fort Warren in Boston Harbor until October 1865. In 1872 he became the editor of the Atlanta Sun. He died in 1883.

Robert Mercer Taliaferro Hunter was born at Hunters Hill, Va., April 21, 1809. He graduated from the University of Virginia and was speaker of the House in the 26th Congress when he was 30.

He was member of Congress in 1837, again in 1845, and senator in 1847, 1852, and 1858. He was a prominent candidate for the nomination for President in the 1860 Democratic convention.

When the war began Hunter held that the South was simply standing on her constitutional rights and it was her duty to resist aggression. He resigned from the U.S. Senate in 1861 when Virginia seceded, became a member of the Confederate Provisional Congress, and served as secretary of state under Jefferson Davis.

Hunter was arrested at the close of the war, but released on parole after he had been imprisoned at Fort Pulaski for several months. In 1867 he was pardoned by President Johnson.

Christopher Gustavus Meminger was born in Germany, January 17, 1803. When his mother died in 1812 he was adopted by Governor Thomas Nennett of South Carolina. Meminger was a member of the state convention which met at Columbia in 1860, a delegate to the convention held in Montgomery in 1861, and chairman of the committee to frame the constitution for the Confederacy.

President Davis appointed him as secretary of the treasury in 1861. He kept his office until he resigned in 1864. He died in Charleston, S.C., in 1888.

Judah Phillip Benjamin, a noted Jewish lawyer and statesman, was born in St. Croix, British West Indies, August 11, 1811. He studied at Yale for three years. In 1845 he was a member of the convention to revise the constitution of Louisiana.

Benjamin served in the U.S. Senate in 1853 and 1859, but withdrew in 1861 when Louisiana seceded. In February, 1861, he was appointed attorney general of the provisional government, and in August President Davis made him secretary of war.

Subsequently accused of incompetence by the Confederate Congress, Benjamin resigned and was appointed secretary of state in 1862.

When Richmond was about to fall, he fled and escaped to the Bahamas, thence to England in 1865. He died in Paris, May 8, 1884.

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—Mrs. H. L. F., Minnesota

Answer:

Your Liberty and Security Irish halfpenny should be worth around \$5 retail.

The other coin is a Jackson cent or Hard Times token. This retails for around \$2. —C. F., Florida

Question:

I don't know if you can help me to identify this coin or not as I tried to trace it off but it didn't work too well. You can see the size anyway and I will describe it.

One side has a face on it but I can't tell whose, as it is an old-timer. On same side as face are the letters, (over top of head), "Georgius III" then what looks like "O C Rexl."

On the other side is what looks like a harp with a crown on it and over the top of the harp are the letters "HIB" and an insignia of some kind drawn at the end of letters. Then more letters "NIA," then under the harp is the date or a number 180.

The person I inherited this coin from told me it was worn around the neck of the Queen of England. It has a hole in the top where a chain or string went through. The coin looks like it is bronze or brass.

—B. B., California

Answer:

Your coin is a halfpenny of Ireland, "Hibernia" being for Ireland, struck between 1800 and 1810, most likely 1804 under George III of England. These are very common coins, and, as badly worn as yours is with the hole in it, of no numismatic value.

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C. F., Florida

Question:

Attached is a pencil rubbing of a coin, both sides. I would appreciate your identifying and giving me information on its current value. One side has 13 stars, E Pluribus Unum, and date 1837; other side Bentonian Currency, wreath enclosing Mint Drop, and date 1837. See rubbings.

—A. W. S., Massachusetts

Answer:

The coin you have is one of the several varieties of Hard Times tokens or Political tokens issued during the hard time in the late 1830s. This particular variety in the condition illustrated would retail for around \$2.50. —C. F., Florida

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—Mrs. J. B., Iowa

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Question:

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Answer:

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—Mrs. R. P., Florida

Answer:

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WANTED: Rose O'Neill Kewpies and Happy Face Doll or items in any form. — Mrs. Virginia Rhule, 324 East Capitol, Springfield, Ill. 62701

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WANTED: Small Kate Greenaway almanacs. — S. Momjian, 2220 Willowbrook Drive, Huntingdon Valley, Pa. 19006

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LOTTERY tickets, old American. Buy, sell, exchange. — Philip G. Nordell, R.D. 1, Ambler, Pa. f069

WANTED: Pictorial political items; stampless folded letters; stamped postmarked envelopes (covers); Union, Confederate, and Western States material; autographs; pre-1870 valentines, early photographs; illustrated or ornate billheads and letter sheets; curious or other similar Americana. Family accumulations and odd lots acceptable. Please describe and price. — John W. Sline, 515 Elsie St., Edwardsville, Ill. 62025

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Wanted: Any historical material relating to any Western State, Hawaii, or Alaska. Books, broadsides, letters, diaries, business ledgers, early newspapers, advertisements, prints, paintings, anything else. Send for Want List. — Argonaut, 336 Kearney Street, San Francisco, Calif. ad126543

WANTED: Typewriters, pencil sharpeners, check writers before 1915. — C. Leverton, 6070 Wiehe Ave., Riverside, Calif. 92506

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See Our Display Ad for stamps, old letters wanted on page 99. — Herman Herst, Jr., Shrub Oak, N.Y. tfx

WANTED: Theatre programs, letters, and memorabilia of dear Jimmy Lind. — W. Porter Ware, Seawane, Tenn. tfx

WANTED: Golf rarities of all types. — Golf Service, 42-05 Layton St., Elmhurst, New York. d12698

NETSUKE WANTED: Must be fine, old, and unusual subject matter. — The Davidson, 1004 Stratford Ave., Melrose Park, Philadelphia, Pa. 19126

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TOP CASH PAID for letters and documents of famous people. Also want interesting old diaries, letters about Indians, pioneers, whaling, etc. Immediate decision; immediate payment; Ask today for free brochure, "How to Sell Your Autographs." Catalogs issued. — Charles H. Hamilton, 25 E. 53rd St., New York, N.Y. 10022

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CHESS SETS always wanted. — George Wentz, San Marcos, Tex. 78666

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BEER TRAYS: Old tin beer trays with advertising. Must be in excellent condition. Prefer full color with name of beer. Any shape. Please describe or I will pay 25c for Polaroid. — Bill Bartley, 941 10th St., #7, Santa Monica, Calif. 90403

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WHALING ITEMS WANTED: Logs, journals, ships papers, implements, nautical antiques and curios, books, ship models. — Wede's Marine Antiques, R.F.D. 3, Box 344-H, Saugerties, N.Y. s3544

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WANTED: Old post cards of baseball and auto racing. Have catalogs for trade: Sears '27-46, Montgomery Ward '45-46, Columbia Records 1921. Also 1902 Philby Whiskers book. — Wirt Gannon, Roseville, Ga. 30741

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STEREOSCOPIC views wanted. — Moore, 152 Walnut, Wooddale, Ill. mh12215

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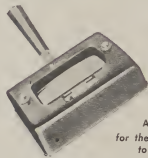
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Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by
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Some Recent "Finds"

By F. H. GRIFFITH



Left to right: No. 1, No. 2, SIGNAL CABIN

There has been considerable activity in the field of collecting mechanical banks in recent months and certain of this activity has unearthed some quite rare banks. To bring our readers up to date on some of this action — for example, Edwin H. Mosler, Jr. has acquired among other banks the Robot, Woodpecker, and a Signal Cabin. Mr. Mosler, recently in Europe, had the good fortune to run across The Robot when in England. This is certainly a rare find and the second example known to exist. Please refer to HOBBIES, May, 1968, for information on the first known example of this bank. Speaking of The Robot, the only additional information we have been able to ascertain as of this writing is that the word "Robot" was first used in a play, Copok's R.U.R., in 1920 with reference to a substitute for a human workman, or a mechanical man. It may well be that Starkie called the bank The Robot with complete reference to the figure of the postman as representing a mechanical man.

The Woodpecker acquired by Mr. Mosler is a fine complete original specimen and the small elusive tin Signal Cabin is also in nice condition. The Signal Cabin, like numbers of the tin banks, is a tough item to add to a collection. Frankly it doesn't have the attractiveness of some of the other tin mechanicals, but this is somewhat beside the point as it is a

challenge to acquire one of these banks — they just don't seem to turn up very often. Frankly the writer feels it is most likely there are individuals possessing the Signal Cabin that don't necessarily realize it is a bank. After all, the small brick-like building with the semaphore that moves up and down does in fact look like a train set accessory, something to go with an electric or wind-up toy train. See photo "Signal Cabin."

Further news concerns Aaron Schroeder who recently added a very nice example of the Darcy Bust (HOBBIES, June, 1968) to his collection. While identical in color to the other then known examples, his, unlike the one pictured in the June article, does not have a locking coin trap.

And yet another Darcy Bust has turned up! This one in mint condition, no coin trap, but different coloring. The colors are as follows: Turban is red with black tassel down the back, the jacket is a loud checkered red and black with gold buttons. A gold shirt, red string tie, and gold vest striped in red are the differences in coloring as compared to the other known examples. It's amazing when we consider that the bank was definitely sold in 1907 by Butler Brothers and it was only in recent years that the first example was found. Then in a comparatively short period of time three examples turn up more

or less in succession. Sure makes the hobby interesting!

Following through with Mechanical Bank Ramblings for March, 1968, we are now able to go into detail on the recent discovery by Mr. Schroeder of the Try Your Weight Bank. This bank is shown in Figures 1 and 2. It, like the Darcy Bust, was pictured for sale in the 1907 Butler Brothers Catalog. We quote from this catalog:

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PART II

The Confederate States honored their great men by placing their pictures upon Confederate currency. Some were on only a few notes, but others appeared on many issues. In the last issue of HOBBIES, I listed several of them. Here are more.

John C. Calhoun, born near Abbeville, S.C., graduated from Yale with honors in 1804 and immediately was admitted to the bar. He married a distant cousin, Floride Calhoun, in 1811.

He was elected to the State legislature in 1808. Then he went to the house of representatives where he soon became known as one of the "war hawks" that advocated the War of 1812 with England.

He served as secretary of war under James Monroe, became vice president in 1824, and held this office until 1832 (two terms).

Calhoun next entered the senate

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until 1844 when he resigned to serve as secretary of state under John P. Tyler. Calhoun re-entered the senate in 1845 and remained till his death.

Lucy Holcomb Pickens, born June 11, 1832, at LaGrange, Tenn., was married in April, 1858, to Francis Wilkinson Pickens, son of Colonel Andrew Pickens of the War of 1812 who also served as governor of South Carolina, 1816-1818.

Under President Buchanan her husband was appointed minister to Russia and they moved there for a time. Upon his return to South Carolina he was elected governor of the state.

Mrs. Pickens enjoyed a brilliant reign as "Lady Lucy" in the executive mansion at Columbia and endeared herself to the hearts of all South Carolinians. The public esteem inspired by her was shown by the naming, in her honor, of one of the first regiments enrolled in the state, The Holcomb Legion.

George Wythe Randolph, born at Monticello, Va., March 19, 1818, attended school at Cambridge, Mass.,

and spent two years at the University of Virginia. His father was governor of Virginia, 1819-1822. His mother was Martha Jefferson Randolph, daughter of Thomas Jefferson, third President of the United States.

Mr. Randolph raised a company of artillery at the time of the John Brown raid, known as the "Virginia Howitzer Battalion. Later, Randolph became a brigadier general.

From March 17th until November 17th, 1862, he was secretary of war for the Confederacy. He resigned in November due to illness and later became an envoy of the Confederacy to France. After the War, he returned to Virginia and died at Edge Hill, Va., April 4th, 1867.

Clement Claiborne Clay, born in Huntsville, Ala., December 13th, 1816, graduated from the University of Alabama in 1831 and was admitted to the bar in 1840.

He served as U.S. senator from 1853 until 1861 when he withdrew on the secession of Alabama. He then became a member of the Confederate senate.

In 1864 he was directed by the Confederate secretary of war to "Proceed to Canada to carry out orders you received from me verbally," and established headquarters at St. Catharines, Ontario.

Bennett H. Young was given a similar commission and also was authorized to form a small company. Clay instructed Young to make a raid on towns in Vermont, and, on October 19th, Young and his group took possession of St. Albans, Vt.

They made a simultaneous attack on three banks in the village and took \$58,000 at the First National Bank, \$73,522 at the St. Albans Bank, and \$70,000 at the Franklin County Bank. They then seized horses and crossed the border into Canada.

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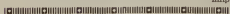
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Answer:

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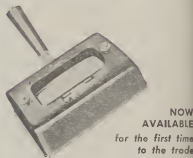
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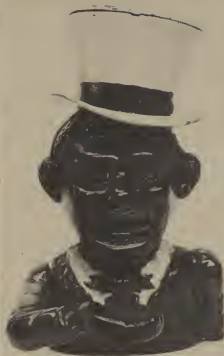


Fig. 2

Lucky Wheel Money Box

By F. H. GRIFFITH

Two English banks, one appropriate for the Christmas Season and made of tin, and the other cast iron, both quite difficult to come by, are the subjects for our dual classification article for November.

The first of these, No. 164 in the classification, Figure 1, is the Lucky Wheel Money Box, a quite rare tin bank. Leonard A. Galati of California, to the best of the writer's knowledge, is the initial collector to discover an example of this bank. The bank came to him through an English source and it is in very nice condition.

W. & R. Jacob & Company of England were the distributors of the Lucky Wheel Bank. Jacob & Company are a well known, very fine, long established concern who produce various delicacies in biscuits and cakes. The Lucky Wheel was originally filled

with small iced biscuits and sold only during the Christmas Season of 1929. In the 1920's and 30's they introduced a special children's novelty tin each Christmas, but 1929 was the only time they featured a mechanical money box.

The bank shown in Figure 1, as previously mentioned, is in fine original condition. Colors are as follows: The large circle on the front with the sections where the fortunes appear are in alternate colors of dark blue and yellow. Red lettering appears on the yellow and black lettering on the blue. The gold decorated center wheel has a black arrow thereon. Below this on a predominantly red and blue background are four pairs of tan rabbits attending a dance. They are dressed in bright colors of blue, red, white, lavender and yellow. The lower part of a Christmas tree with red berries, candles, and vari-colored Christmas balls appear just under the wheel. Green holly with red berries is around the entire front edge and two small Christmas trees in blue pots are in the bottom foreground. Ornamentation of similar nature to that just described is along the sides and curved top of the bank. This all adds up to a very bright, gayly colored Christmas-y bank.

The operation of the bank depends upon the insertion of a coin and this is always a desirable feature in a mechanical bank. When the coin is deposited in the provided slot in the

top of the bank the weight of the coin causes the wheel to spin and the arrow to point to one of the 12 fortunes.

In closing on the Lucky Wheel Bank, it is very nice to have another Christmas mechanical bank turn up. It makes an appropriate subject matter companion to the Santa Claus Bank (HOBBIES, December, 1966).

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Little Hi-Hat, No. 165 in the classification, Figure 2, would seem to be, from all evidence, a very difficult mechanical bank to add to a collection. It has been quite a few years since the writer last heard of an example of this perky bust type bank turning up.

In appearance, except for the elegant top hat, the bank is practically identical to Little Joe, made by John Harper & Company, Ltd. of England. The writer has some of their old catalogs, 1890 to 1930, showing Little Joe, Dinah, and other bust type banks. Chamberlin & Hill, Ltd., another English concern, also made bust type banks, but no catalog of theirs or Harpers, that are in the writer's

Old Mechanical Banks

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possession, show Little Hi-Hat. The writer feels that with the very definite similarities in the castings of Little Joe and Little Hi-Hat, Harper made the bank.

The bank shown is in fine original condition with colorings similar to most of the bust type banks. The hat is white with black band, face and hand are black. Red lips and tongue with black and brown eyes. The shirt is red with white collar, and black tie. In an indented section in the back appears the name "Little Hi-Hat" in large raised gold letters.

The bank operates like the majority of the bust type banks. A coin is placed on the extended right hand as shown in the photo. A lever, left rear shoulder is depressed and the hand rises to the mouth depositing the coin therein. Tongue recedes and the eyes move upward. Releasing the lever automatically returns all parts to the positions as shown in the photo.

The exact reason for the apparent scarcity of this bank is not known to the writer, but possibly, like the English Clown Bank (Bust), (HOBBIES, May, 1961), there were not too many of them made nor were they produced over a number of years.

A final word about the name Little Hi-Hat. It would logically seem to connect this bank to Little Joe since both utilized the name "Little". This then would, of course, lead to Harper making both banks. In this case though the name cannot necessarily be a factor of this nature since the most mechanical of all the bust banks is Little Moe (HOBBIES, August, 1958), and we know this was made by Chamberlin & Hill and shown only in their old catalogs.

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Answer:

It is difficult to give much information about the token, for some were made many years ago and others are still being coined. Yours might be of very recent issue and then again quite old. The fact that it is pierced leads me to believe it most likely is old.

These tokens are not of great value, usually retailing for around 25c, probably because there are no complete books available upon them with valuations and giving rarity.

Any brass token can be cleaned but of course it will come out a false, brassy looking piece. Depends on how you wish it to look. —C. F., Florida

Question:

Enclosed is a pencil rubbing, which I hope that you will use in answering information relative to the coin.

As you will note from this pencil rubbing, this is an extremely misstamped 1964 penny that erroneously escaped through the mint channels into a roll of regular minted coins.

I am not a regular coin collector, and at this time my time and interests have fallen into other categories of HOBBIES Magazine.

If it is within your realm of extending information, I would like to know, if the coin carries a premium. —N. G., Washington

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Answer:

Your off-center cent should be valued at around \$10 and is known as a one-third off at 11 o'clock mint error. —C. F., Florida

Question:

Description of token: Front, U.S. Treasury Bldg., eagle below "Victory Liberty Loan" around edge.

Reverse, "Awarded (blank space apparently for name to be stamped) by the U.S. Treasury Dept. for patriotic service in behalf of the Liberty loans." Around edge, "Made from captured German cannon." Token is iron, nickel plated, some rust spots, minor, not showing. —C. L., Michigan

Answer:

This token was one of many made from, as it says, captured German cannon in World War I. To help sell bonds during that war, stiff campaigns were put on, and drives to raise money for the government. These medals were given out to those that worked hard for the cause. They are of little numismatic value. —C. F., Florida

Question:

Where can I send all Kennedy half dollars in Europe for a premium price for each one? Please, send me the address. —L. J., California

Answer:

I regret to say I do not know of any place in Europe where you can send Kennedy half dollars to receive a premium price. If your Kennedy half dollars are in perfect uncirculated condition they would be worth a premium here to most any coin dealer. Some dates are worth a premium in circulated condition. —C. F., Florida

Question:

I would like to know if a Brazilian coin I own has any value. On the obverse is the following inscription: "Republica dos Estados Unidos do Brasil." In center is "400 reis." Date is 1922.

The face of the coin shows a female head in profile.

The coin is about the size of a U.S. half-dollar and appears to be either nickel or silver or a combination of the two. Condition is very good or better. —R. C. T., North Carolina

Answer:

Your Brazilian coin retails for around 10c. It is made of nickel. —C. F., Florida

Question:

Enclosed is rubbings and description of three coins. Can you identify and give value?

I enjoy your Questions & Answers. They have "solved some of my mysteries." —C. B., New Jersey

Answer:

The first is a small Washington token or medal, these are made in gilt, bronze and silver. The latter are worth around \$1. The second is a plastic private token which apparently comes either from Mexico or one of the South American countries. Its value would be questionable to a

coin collector. The third coin is an English penny of George II of England and currently retails for around 75c. —C. F., Florida

AUTOGRAPHS

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Before his death in 1941, Harry Daugherty wrote me:

"There is nothing to the 'senatorial oligarchy' myth. The fact about the matter is, that Harding's nomination was the result of the plan conceived by me and carried out nearly a year before the Convention, that is, it was started then, by the promise of a second third, fourth, and even fifth choice votes when the time came to switch from the two candidates engaged in a dead-lock.

"I had attended many national conventions and was convinced during my investigations over the country that certain developments would cause Lowden and his friends, to pull farther apart rather than get together, and that a more or less dark horse would eventually reap the benefits of such a dead-lock.

"I was never absolutely sure of Harding's nomination until just before he was actually nominated. The developments of that Convention came very fast and were complicated.

"I was in constant touch with developments and I can truthfully say I was only confident of his nomination after I took him to national headquarters where Lowden was found and we had a short visit.

"I had an arrangement with the Lowden forces that they would release their delegates when it was seen that Lowden could not be nominated and when he had passed Wood in the balloting. This was done and I knew that Harding would be nominated for certain."

The late Senator James E. Watson of Indiana wrote me on July 10, 1939:

"Nobody was ever nominated on a sort of shoe-string variety more than Harding because he had no delegates for him outside of his own Ohio, and nine of those from Ohio refused to vote for him. He could not even get Harry Daugherty made a delegate from Ohio although Daugherty was his campaign manager as everybody knew, and Harry pleaded for his selection."

The sole man living who attended the "smoke-filled room" meeting is James W. Wadsworth, appointed by President Harry S. Truman, Chairman of the National Security Training Commission.

In 1920, Wadsworth was the junior senator from New York. He had been elected in 1915, and served until 1927. In 1933 he was elected to congress where he continued until 1951. He served with distinction in both houses.

Not long ago I sent Mr. Wadsworth the following paragraph dealing with the Convention from the biography of Calvin Coolidge by Cameron Rogers:

"Recess was declared after midnight, in room 404 of the Blackstone Hotel, George Harvey, Hert of Kentucky, and Senators Brandegee, Lodge, Wadsworth, Calder, Smoot, and Medill McCormick peered at one another through the blue drifting layers of clear smoke, and fumbled for places for waiting until Monday to decide upon a name to break the dead-lock, but another, dreadingly conscious of a sweat-drenched shirt, a smoke-rasped throat, and the money dimes of Chicago, arose and affirmed that he was paying \$12 a day for a damned bad room and he himself would be damned if he stayed any longer.

"Someone opened a window and while the tobacco smoke swooped out into the heavy night, the name of Harding was mentioned, commented on and approved."

Mr. Wadsworth wrote me:

"It is perfectly apparent that this author, in describing the background of Harding's nomination, has absorbed and believed the story that was printed far and wide in the press at the time. That story made famous 'The Smoke-Filled Room' in which, it was stated, that a number of senators and a few others conferred and decided that Harding should be nominated.

"I was in and out of that room several times during that night and I can say to you, that the story was completely false. True, there was an absolute dead-lock between Wood and Lowden and it was agreed that neither of them could be nominated.

"Hiram Johnson had been running third in the balloting in the Convention, followed by Harding, Nicholas Murray Butler, Senator Miles Poindexter, and Governor William C. Sproul of Pennsylvania.

"The atmosphere in that room was one of utter confusion and frustration. Men came in and out bringing reports and rumors from various delegations. The talk went on and on for hours and it is a fact that no decision whatsoever was reached.

"I happened to encounter Harding at about 1 A.M. in an upstairs corridor at the hotel. He asked me if I had any news. My reply was in the negative.

"He then went on to say that he believed his chances for winning the nomination would be better if he could show some gain on the next ballot which would take place when the Convention reconvened in the morning. He asked me if I could expect any help from the New York Delegation. I could give him no assurance.

"The next morning the New York delegation met in advance of the meeting of the Convention. Up to that time the delegation had been split between Wood, Lowden, and Butler, with Harding polling only two votes.

"In the delegation meeting that morning six delegates (if my memory is correct) switched from other candidates to Harding, thus giving him a total of eight in the delegation.

"When the roll was called in the convention, Harding registered that gain from New York, and as I recollect it, on the same roll-call, the Kansas delegation switched to Harding. And there may have been some others.

"In any event Harding showed a significant gain on that first ballot, and as I recollect it, forged ahead of Johnson who had been running third on previous roll-calls.

"The weather had been very hot in Chicago during the convention, the sessions including the roll-calls had been long. Delegates, perspiring in the heat, were tired and eager to reach a decision.

"Many of them had seen Harding in the convention of 1916 over which he had presided as temporary chairman in a very attractive manner. They remembered his fine appearance and bearing.

"He had no political scars at the time and his candidacy for the nomination had not involved any bitterness. In other words, it seemed to them to be the 'answer,' especially, as he had shown a substantial gain on that first roll-call.

"The result was, as the roll was called, announcements began coming from the floor switching votes from other candidates to Harding. In a comparatively short period the movement swept the convention.

"The delegates did it themselves! The men who had been talking together in 'The Smoke-Filled Room' far into the previous night had no more to do with it than the humblest delegate on the floor.

"It is not important and perhaps not even interesting that I, a delegate from New York, voted for Lowden to the end. 'The Smoke-Filled Room' story has persisted ever since that day. I have recited the fact as a good many times to newspaper people, to no avail. It was too good a 'story'.

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Fig. 1



Fig. 2

Fortune Teller Savings Bank

5c Adding Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH

A great number of toy savings banks were made in the form of a safe, but only three of the many different types fit into the mechanical bank category. These are the United States Bank (HOBBIES, August, 1956), the Watch Dog Safe, and the Fortune Teller Savings Bank, our choice as No. 166 in the numerical classification.

The Fortune Teller was patented February 19, 1901 by Aaron Kaufman of Baltimore, Md. He assigned the patent to Baumgärtel & Company, also of Baltimore, and they manufactured the bank. The drawings accompanying the patent show the view window on the front of the safe door. For some reason this location was changed to the top in the production bank. Other than this, the bank as produced closely follows the patent and drawings with the exception of a separation plate inside the bank to protect the fortune wheel from the coins.

The bank shown, Figure 1, is in nice original condition with overall nickel plate finish. The fortune wheel inside the bank is made of tin with a printed paper of fortunes in color

thereon. Strangely enough there are thirteen different fortunes on the wheel and these appear in sections of green, red, yellow, blue and black. The name is on the front door of the safe as shown in the photo. On the bottom of this bank is inscribed "Pat. Feb. 19, 1901." The writer has seen other specimens with just "Pat" on the bottom. He has also seen one with a very colorful paper label on the back, and for description of this

please refer to HOBBIES article January, 1964. This example, by the way, had "Pat" on the bottom. It is not known to the writer if all examples of the Fortune Teller originally had paper labels on the back. It may well be that only those with "Pat" on the bottom originally had the paper label, however, it is the writer's opinion the label was used on all Fortune Tellers. The plain back casting with the very decorative front and sides would logically indicate this.

To operate the bank a coin is dropped into the operating lever on top of the safe. The coin engages a toothed wheel and when the lever is pushed back the fortune wheel is caused to spin, stopping with one of the fortunes showing in the glass covered section on top. The coin disengages itself during the action and drops to the bottom of the bank. It is necessary to use a coin to operate the bank and, of course, this is a desirable feature. As with most safe type banks, coins are removed by means of a combination lock.

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The bank was patented August 20, 1889 by Isaac Pforzheimer of New York City and he assigned one-half to Carl Zallud, also of New York. While very definitely made as a toy

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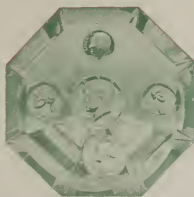
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